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## COMA SURVIVOR REVEALS...

# WHO IS MEETING WITH GOD SHOCKS EXPERTS

By HOLLY PAYNE
Wichita, Wash.

**MORRIS Earl Lyman, a lineman for the county, has quite a story to tell. After being electrocuted on a phone pole outside the Come On Inn Steakhouse and falling into a coma, his friends and family feared the worst.**

"When they brought him in his head looked like a baked potato that popped in a microwave," said Lori Lyman. Once a tearful, mourning wife she is now sobbing with joy. "His recovery is a miracle, I swear."

"It wasn't the only miracle," Morris said from his hospital bed at the Crimson Medical Center. "And honestly — don't swear. God doesn't like it. Nothing serious, but for each infraction you get some minor punishment, like a runny nose or watery eyes or an itchy neck." How does Morris know? That has to do with the other miracle he referred to. Morris claims to have gone to Heaven and spoken with God.

"My journey to the afterlife started with the usual stuff," Morris said. He was sitting up in bed and holding his wife's hand. He didn't look much the worse for wear from his electrocution — proof, he claims, of his contact with the Almighty.

"There was the tunnel of white light, clouds, voices of relatives who passed away, Mama Cass singing to me — that sort of thing. But once you get through the Pearly Gates it's like being the nicest park you ever saw. There are hills and waterfalls with beautiful shining paths lined with flowers.

"But I'm getting ahead of myself," Morris said. "St. Peter greeted me with a smile and a fold-out map. I walked past him, my feet barely sinking in the soft, cool clouds. There were angels everywhere. They had wings and halos but I didn't recognize any of them. When I reached the golden path — that was when I saw the folk without wings, what they call the soul brothers and soul sisters. Some of

MORRIS LYMAN got a premature view of Heaven.

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# IN HEAVEN

GOD'S office (not pictured) hovering off behind and a man with a long beard sitting at a large marble desk, according to [illegible] Morris Updyke.

them were really familiar. Heck, I had only taken a few steps when a heavily accented voice just behind me said, 'Excuse me.' I turned around and there was Pope John Paul II.

"He couldn't have been happier. He just seemed so glad to be able to walk and talk and breathe normally. He was chatting about fashion with Al Bundonis, the famed women's clothier."

These simple joys seemed shared by everyone Morris saw. "Christopher Reeve was overjoyed to be able to walk again. He was missing his family but he said he was able to watch them through Heaven's super-premium cable system. The big surprise, though was seeing Richard Nixon. I thought for sure he wouldn't be there.

"But Johnnie Cochran himself told me the president was truly repentant for the wrongs he had committed. I tried to convince Mr. Nixon to come out from behind the rock where he was hiding. But he said there were a lot of Vietnam vets coming through these days and he didn't want to have to spend eternity explaining himself."

Lori was surprised by the presence of the infamous "if the glove doesn't fit you must acquit" lawyer who got O.J. off.

"So was I," admitted Morris. "But Jerry Orbach — you know the guy from *Law & Order* — told me that Cochran did a really good job for his client. It wasn't his fault the prosecution messed up. Then we all started to where John Lennon and George Harrison were going to put on a concert, Frank Perdue had one food concession, Colonel Sanders had another, and they were teasing each other about whose breasts were more tender. That seemed to embarrass Fay Wray."

According to Morris, he never did get to see the concert because Archangel Michael said he was needed in the Hall of Fate.

blink of an eye. Imagine the Lincoln Memorial about 10 times bigger and you have an idea about what I was standing in front of." Terri Schiavo skipped past me." Morris revealed. "She was coming out of the hall, scarfing down a burger.

She'd put on some weight and looked really happy. Anyway, I went in expecting to see this big and bright white light. But it was just a room. A really giant one, with angels hovering all around like Christmas decorations, only for real. And in the center was this marble desk and a man with a really long beard sitting behind it. He was going over paperwork. Parchment work, actually.

along off to the side. Looked like she had put on a few pounds too.

"'You don't belong here,' the old man suddenly said to me. And I figured, 'Uh-oh. He found out about those dirty magazines I have under the mattress and I'm going to the blazes.'"

Lori looked at him. "What dirty magazines?"

"Not now, sweet potato," Morris said, wincing and adding, "DOH!" He went on. "Anyway, this bearded gentleman said to me, 'We made a mistake. That shoch we sent along the phone line was meant for someone else. So we're sending you back.'"

"Thank you, your Grace," I said.

me. "The blast was accidentally sent toward Mt. Rainier." The man shrugged. "Sometimes that happens."

After instructing Morris on the ways of virtue to ensure his return at "some later date," the lineman was zapped back into his body at the hospital.

"I am just so grateful to God for returning my husband," Lori said. "I think it's pretty amazing that a man who never traveled more than forty miles from his hometown has just taken the greatest journey of all. "She squeezed her husband's hand.

"It's a miracle, like I said, and I hope to make the trip again one day." He winked. "Not too soon.

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# THIRD GENDER IN OZARKS!

By [redacted]
Ponca, Ark.

**IN AN astounding new development in the fields of human biology and genetics, a third gender has been discovered in the Ozarks.**

"It's not just man and woman in the part of the country," observed Cory Stickleback, author of the best-selling novel, Hillbilly Billy. Stickleback came upon the new sex while doing research for his upcoming book, Backwoods Bobo. The gender has never before been observed by outsiders, though apparently it's been a fixture for many years in an area near an obscure town called Ponca, nestled in the Ozark mountain range.

"At first I thought it was just this one bizarre mutation," recalled Stickleback. "But I soon noticed there were dozens and dozens of the suckers."

The new gender, called "[redacted]" ("Ozarkus" backwardly), is extremely distinctive in appearance. As Stickleback describes them, they feature "uterus, egg-shaped bodies, similar to Humpty Dumpty's. They appear to be completely [redacted] except for one 'unibrow' in place of two eyebrows. A large marsupial pouch in the belly area is used to transport their young and their pet-pets, and store their favorite food — rhubarb."

Stickleback secretly observed the Skreaux engaged in several unique activities including:

- Spending hours at a time yodeling their favorite song — Frank Sinatra's "My Way."
- Engaging in an elaborate 27-step secret handshake

WEEKLY WORLD NEWS READERS

# SOUND OFF!

## YOU PLAY . . . YOU PAY!

DEADBEAT DAD: Mongera should be forced to pay child support.

**DEAR EDITOR, Aliens who abduct and impregnate Earth women (Apr. 18, 2005) should be made to pay child support, just like every other deadbeat dad out there.**

It's only right. If they think they can just beam down here, fool around their fancy UFOs and look up with our chicks whenever they want, they've got another thing coming. [redacted] spaceships or whatever you guys call yourselves, and pay up.

Especially that Mongera. Sounds to me like he was just looking to "get some" and didn't really care if he got that lady pregnant. Well, that's the consequences. You deal with it.

— Bob Werner,
Vegas, Minn.

♦ ♦ ♦

**DEAR EDITOR,**

I loved seeing the special section you all did on politicians cross-dressing (Apr. 11, 2005).

was John Kerry as the bunny. What a cute little thing . . .

He just looks so comfortable in that little number.

Anyway, while I've got [redacted], I just wanted to thank you for the great paper every week. I look forward to getting it more than anything else. In a

# DISCOVERED

## The product of generations of inbreeding

## . . . they even have their own currency!

involving eight different body sounds and aromas.

● Attending their own church services in which they worship a shrine set up to honor grasshoppers.

How did this third gender develop? "Centuries of inbreeding," stated Dr. Kooble. "Oh, sure, they started out as the hillbillies we all know — the quilting, folk-song-humming grandma sharing a leaky log cabin with the barefoot, floppy-hat-wearing moonshiner. But after generations of cousins marrying sisters, fathers marrying daughters, and mothers marrying uncles — well, this is the result."

The Skraxos primarily inhabit the backwoods portions of the Ozarks. They've taken over all the old stills, where they earn their living by the traditional task of brewing and selling moonshine to the locals. Remarkably resistant to the modernizing influences of the outside world, the Skraxos seem quite content keeping to themselves. In doing so, they have evolved their own language, currency, music, art, and even humor.

Sticklebach observed very little interaction between the Skraxos and other Ozarkers, as both groups consider one another to be "nuts." The Skraxos are, however, in active negotiations to appear on *The Jerry Springer Show*, for a theme program titled *You Think Your Family's Wacky!*

Several of the world's most prominent scientists are on their way to the Ozarks to more thoroughly research the Skraxos. And one of the largest on-line dating services is offering any Skraxo a three-month free membership.

### Sun Bunny

PRETTY and playful Christina Ball is one of WWN's fairest finds yet. This sexy 36C-24-36 Redding, Calif., queen says she likes country line dancing, horseback riding, swimming, long walks, anything that tastes like chicken and the sweet smell of vanilla. Talk about well-rounded! Christina likes a little bit of everything. Funny thing is, though, we're

news, *Weekly World News* is a welcome relief! Good job!

— Sydney Flapp,
New Haven, Ind.

♦ ♦ ♦

**DEAR EDITOR,**

It was good to see you post a Page 5 Girl that doesn't have to paste her face with lipstick and makeup to get noticed.

Arianna Gianol was blessed with natural beauty and I'm going to post her picture on my refrigerator with some of my other Page 5 Girls.

I wish I could meet her.

— Richard Hart,
Clarendon, Pa.

## Letter of the Week

**Dear Editor, Hahaha-hahahaha! I've never seen anything funnier than the picture you ran of President George W. Bush smoking a joint in the Oval Office (Apr. 18, 2005).**

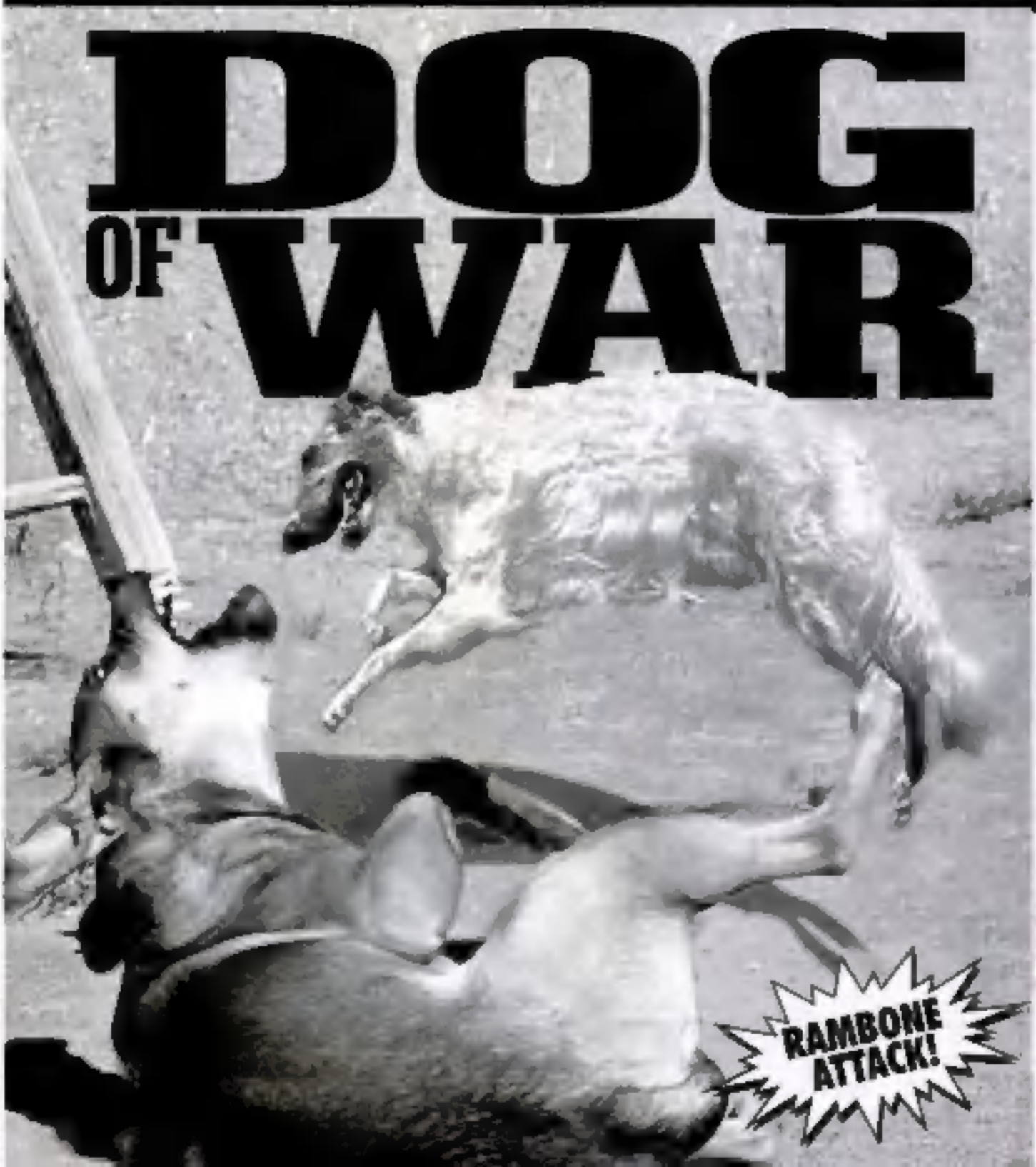
**No wonder he never makes any sense and always seems so calm and relaxed — he's high as a kite!**

**I wonder if he has his cabinet members roll 'em up for him. Or if he sends good old Condi out to the hood to score him a bag. I mean, he's the PRESIDENT — he can't just pull up and say, "Yo man, let me get some of that." Can he?**

**— Sam Hacker,
Detroit, Mich.**

RENEGADE POOCH STUNS

# DOG OF WAR



# PENTAGON!

By DICK SIEGEL
Kabul, Afghanistan

**LAST WEEK, war-weary Allied troops were being entertained at a special USO show when a very lonely and long-lost Russian super-soldier surfaced. Only he wasn't an ordinary dogface.**

Lt. Major Rusty O'Hara of the 82nd Airborne was sipping an ice cold pop with his fellow troopers watching The Super Dog Show starring Mr. Parsley — the infamous German shepherd who was banned from dog show competition for steroid use (Weekly World News, April 11).

"We were all recovering from a fire-fight in the mountains and were eager to see the notorious pooch bench press a Humvee," said Lt. Major O'Hara. "There was a chow chow in a tutu coming around for donations. We all kicked in some bucks — the lil' dog was just so cute carrying a bucket in her teeth. Besides, none of us had seen a lady in a dress for a while. Mr. Parsley's handler, Mary Jane Snow, had just given the big fella a biscuit to psych him up when suddenly we found ourselves in the middle of a fur-fight."

As the powerfully built German shepherd bit into his treat, a scrawny, dusty looking borzoi with matted hair leapt onto the stage. The wolfhound snatched the biscuit from Mr. Parsley's mouth.

"The cookie broke mid-section, and the two big dogs just stared at one another," O'Hara recalled. "Then, with a snarl, they dropped the snacks and launched themselves at each other."

The fight was short but vicious. According to videotape footage obtained by Weekly World News, Mr. Parsley ripped into the borzoi but, incredibly, his incisors broke on the scraggly wolfhound's tough hide. The intruder then gripped Mr. Parsley by the tail, swinging him around in circles.

**Sources identify the borzoi as Nobyl — a former Soviet super dog code named 'Rambone'!**

O'Hara told us. "It was more entertainment than we were expecting."

The dizzy Mr. Parsley went flying. He smashed against the Humvee leaving a dog-sized impression in the hood, then fell limp on top of the little dog in the tutu.

"My cash chow!" Mary Jane screamed as she collected the money that had spilled from the bucket.

Incredibly, the intruder did not run. Realizing that the amazing borzoi was probably hungry, several quick-thinking GIs befriended the dog and fed him. They also fed him information about the dog's former life, which they relayed to us.

The borzoi seemed to enjoy not just the food but the attention. The airmen snapped pictures of themselves with the dog and, during weekly e-mail access, sent the photos home to loved ones.

That's when Global Intelligence Command became involved. The GIC routinely intercepts e-mail from the front for security reasons. They made a startling discovery as they examined the snapshots: The Borzoi dier," said a source at GIC who spoke to us on condition of anonymity.

"Our code name for him was 'Rambone.' For one thing, he possessed remarkable super strength. His mother's genes were mutated by the Chernobyl nuclear disaster in 1986. Instead of giving birth to a litter she produced a single super-pup with the powers and abilities of seven dogs combined. He also received the best training the KGB could provide. They saw him as the father of a race of Soviet super-dogs."

According to our source, Nobyl went undercover during the waning days of the Soviet war in Afghanistan. A remarkable photo obtained by the GIC and published here for the first time showed Nobyl wearing a kaffiyah — an Arab head covering — held together with a rope or fakal. He was firing a Kalashnikov rifle — with his paws!

"After the Soviet withdrawal from the region the remarkable battle hound disappeared," our source went on. "Intelligence reports suggested that he had been wounded covering the retreat of a Soviet mechanized brigade. There were indications that he had disappeared into the frigid mountains: Reports of blood, paw prints, and yellow snow. Rumors reached the GIC that the injured Nobyl had packed his wounds with mud and used fine pine needles and llama wool to stitch himself together. Army veterinarians believe that the dog was able to heal quickly due to his mutated gene structure. I guess he just stayed in the frigid mountains until the new war literally brought him out of the cold."

Within days of his surprise arrival at the USO show, the American air base in Kabul was overrun by agents brandishing dog biscuits and fribees. But, like the good soldier he is, the mighty dog had slipped away during the night. He is believed to be heading for Iraq.

"We hope to find Nobyl and convince him to join the war on terror," said our GIC source. "He would make a wonderful partner for SpyCat."

"We hope he comes back too," said Mary Jane Snow, cradling the shell-shocked chow chow in

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## Mad DNA SPLICER strikes again!

# HE CREATES WORLD'S FIRST . . . SHEEP WOMAN

By RICK SIEGEL
Tales, N.M.

RENEGADE bio-geneticist Dr. Jordan Ellison — whose weird death row Tree-Man mutations was revealed in an exclusive *Weekly World News* report a few weeks back — has resurfaced. This time he has a new and more bizarre creation: A sheep woman.

"I did her a favor," Dr. Ellison told us from his cell at the Tales sheriff's office. "Miss Hart's life was empty before she met me. Now she has a purpose."

"What she has is a flock of sheep that follows her everywhere, like Lamb Chop on Shari Lewis," Sheriff Merino Sullivan added. "They created quite a scene, playing hide-and-seek around the courthouse."

Sullivan said the strange saga began when Dr. Ellison led us to Dr. Ellison, who was on the F.B.I.'s ten-most-wanted list.

"That crackpot should have stayed 'on the lam' instead of getting 'on the lamb,'" Sullivan remarked.

The strange saga began when Dr. Ellison met 47-year-old socialite Reba Hart at a country fair.

Ellison was working in costume as the convict Rodney Ram, using the disguise to hide from police. He and Miss Hart struck up a conversation when she commented on how authentic his wool was.

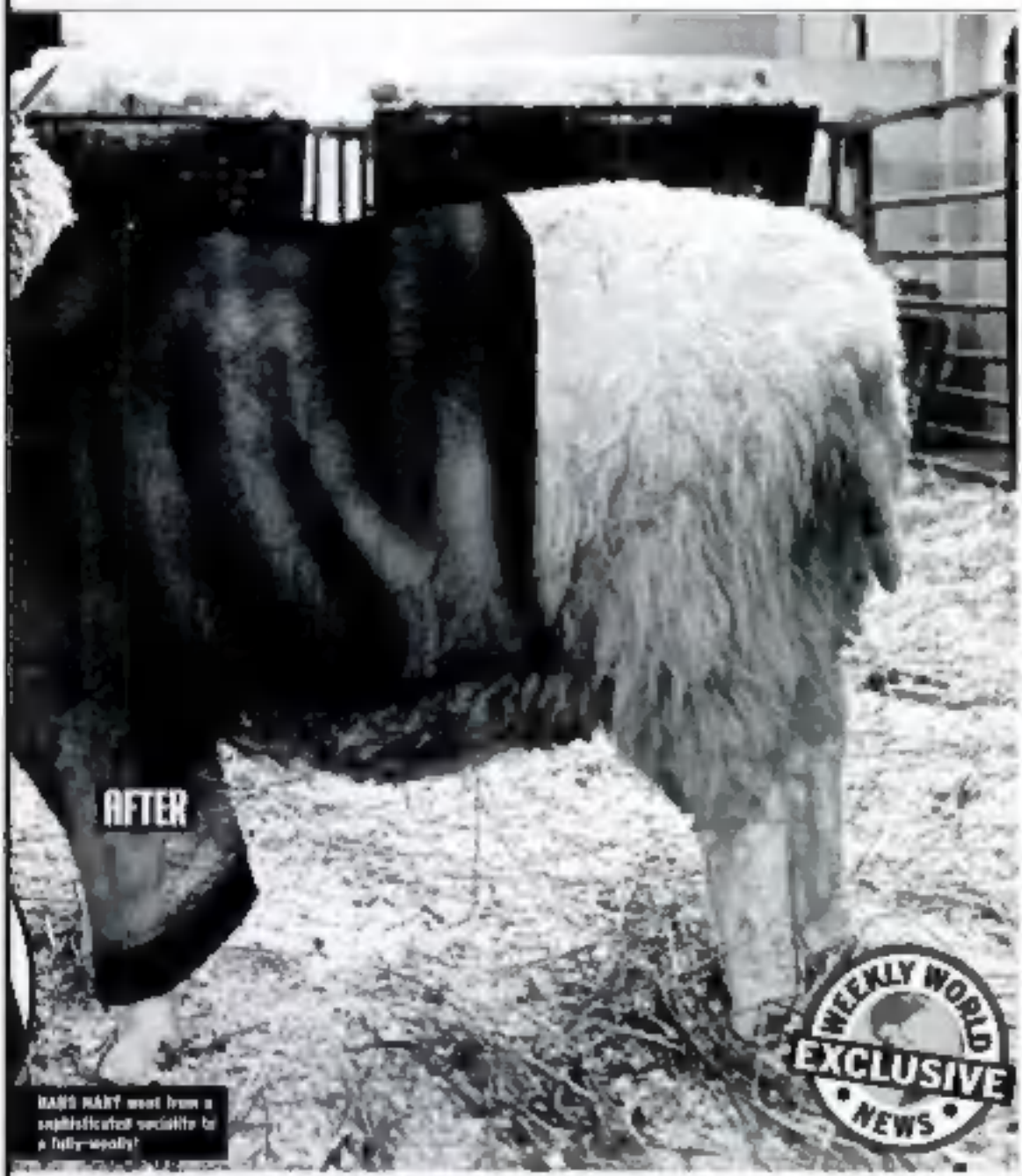
"I told her I'd been working so hard I hadn't bathed in weeks," Ellison explained. "She invited me to her estate for a shower and shave and we got to talking. I explained that with the threat of global warming, we have to adapt or perish. She was so impressed that she agreed to set up a laboratory in her basement so I could continue my research. The only problem was, I had no subjects."

Dr. Ellison saw where to get one when he noticed how dry Miss Hart's eyes got in the hot, New Mexico sun. He altered the "Y" chromosome in human DNA to a "W" or "wool" chromosome. Then he put the mutant gene in Miss Hart's eye-drops, turning them to ewe-drops.

The transformation happened quickly. Within hours the woman's curly gray hair had turned to curly white wool. At first she thought the change was becoming, a result of the antiwrinkle vitamin C injections she had been taking. When the wool started sprouting on her arms and legs, she panicked.

"I spend thousands of dollars a year on hair removal procedures," she said, her sheepish lips struggling to form words. "Now I've got white clumps all over my baaaaaady!"

Those were the last words Miss Hart uttered before losing the power of speech. She is now [illegible] Hart. Her




HANS HART went from a sophisticated socialite to a fully-woolly!

were once tiny hands and feet are now pink, demure hooves. Her pink nose has turned black.

"She is now fully woolly and we're going to prosecute this madman Ellison," said her roguish brother Burton — who admits there's poetic justice in what happened.

"They're all insane," Ellison complained. "In her former life Babs was frivolous and shallow. Now she is helping to prepare humanity for the coming cataclysm. If there is a new ice age she will be able to knit sweaters from her own wool. She will help people sleep by letting include several rams who bolted from Old MacDougal's Petting Zoo when the mutant heiress walked by. They frolicked on the town green where they were joined by over a dozen lambs from a nearby meadow. Eventually they ran off, most of them carrying little hitchhikers. Their owner said. "This is a disaster. With my name, what else can I do for a living?"

In his cell while awaiting extradition to Carlson, Ariz., Dr. Ellison had no regrets about gene-splicing the former sweater girl socialite into a woolly wonder. "One day mankind will thank me for what I did here," he said. "My experiments will lead to a new

## HOMELAND SECURITY CHIEF DECLARES 'WAR ON TERRIERS'

By BERNIE PYLE

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Homeland Security Chief Michael Chertoff is extending the war on terror to include a new foe - terriers!

Chertoff said that with hostile activity by Al Qaeda diminishing, it was a perfect time to expand the war on terrorism to other groups. When asked at a press conference, "Why terriers?" Chertoff replied, "People always misunderstood the President, because of his Southern drawl, it was always a war on 'terr,' not 'terror.' And 'terrier' begins with 'terr,' doesn't it? So now we're going to go after those vicious, mean little dogs.

"After we've eradicated them, we're going to go after other 'terr' targets, including terrapins, terrafrys and anything terra cotta."

As might be expected, terrier owners are furious at the new policy.

"This should give everybody pause," says Harold Grimsley, who owns three terriers. "Or paws, pardon the pun. Why doesn't Chertoff go after the real problem: Bulldogs!"

But terrier owners aren't the only group who think this new act is for the dogs. Terry McAuliffe, head of the Democratic Party, says "Clearly this is over reaching, and desperate tactics by a man simply looking for new enemies, in order to hold onto his job."

When told of these comments, Chertoff said, "Did you say TERRy

# JUDGE RULES 'JURY OF PEERS' MUST CONSIST OF OTHER CRIMINALS

By SCOTT STEVENS

TAILGATE, Kent. – A judge recently ruled that a man suspected of stealing cars was entitled to a jury of his peers – namely, other car thieves!

Hank "Jump Start" Ford, 29, was arrested and charged with stealing a 1998 red Camaro. The case took an unusual twist when Ford's lawyer, Fred Scottsboro, filed a motion saying that, according to the Constitution, Ford was entitled to a trial by "a jury of his peers" – and that meant other car thieves!

At first Judge Hank Goss was inclined to deny the motion. "Ford hasn't been convicted yet. Therefore a 'jury of his peers' would NOT consist of other car thieves."

But Scottsboro replied: "Oh, my client stole the car. Your Honor. Definitely. That's precisely why he SHOULD be judged by his peers – other car thieves.

Surprisingly, Judge Goss agreed.

The county issued jury summons to all convicted car thieves in a 50-mile radius, including some who were still in prison.

Ford took the stand and testified that he stole the car because he "really liked it," and "couldn't afford to buy one." The jurors nodded sympathetically. After both sides rested, the jury deliberated for 12 minutes before finding Ford "Not Guilty."

Afterward, Judge Goss, the prosecutor and even Scottsboro

# SPORTING NEWS

# PLUS-SIZED ATHLETES COMPETE IN 'BIG' GAMES

By LUCY LIPTON
Athens, Greece

**HERE'S good news for grossly overweight athletes — now there's a competition exclusively designed for people who tip the scales at 400-plus pounds!**

The first International "Olipids," familiarly known as the Fatty Games, will be held in Greece in 2006. They will feature such events as the 25-meter walk, the low jump and something called "freestyle floating."

"It's unfair the way fat athletes are shut out of other athletic competitions," said Karl Torpos, chairman of the Fatty Games committee. "Just because they can't run as fast as those skinny athletes or jump as high doesn't mean they shouldn't be allowed to compete."

The Fatty Games will allow chubby competitors to challenge each other in low-stress sports that don't require a lot of movement. There will be frequent sandwich breaks, and competitors in foot races will be given the option of riding electric carts.

It is hoped that Kirstie Alley, star of TV's *Fat Actress*, will light the ceremonial torch for the games.

"I'm in training for the 25-

FREESTYLE FLOATING champions Ella and Eddie Simpson.

RISING FROM AN EASY CHAIR is one of the toughest events.

pounds. "I've got my time down to under 10 minutes." (Twenty-five meters translates to about 82 feet.)

Jack Meffler, another plus-size athlete, is working on the "Rising from an Easy Chair" competition.

"It's definitely not as easy as it looks," Meffler said. "You try and get out of that chair, and sometimes, you just can't do it." Many competitors are unable to even complete the event.

With 31 percent of U.S. citizens classified as obese, America had been expected

Europe are giving the U.S. some heavy competition.

It seems the obesity epidemic has finally reached across the Atlantic. Thirty-one percent of pasta-loving Italian citizens are now obese; Spain and England now have obesity epidemics of their own.

But Meffler thinks the U.S. retains the edge. "America still

thing to excess in the U.S. We have the biggest yachts, the biggest cars, and the fattest people."

[illegible] nutritionist [illegible] the Fatty Games [illegible] the beginning [illegible] and tread. "This event [illegible] still we have given up on having a fit society. We are learning to embrace and accept our laziness, instead of taking steps to fix a serious health problem."

But Torpor argues the Fatty Games simply provide a venue for super-size sportsmen to engage in a little competition. "Just because they are too fat to participate in real athletic games doesn't mean they should be excluded from all such competitions," he said. "It's a way for them to say, 'I want to compete, too, as long as I don't have to exert myself too much and I get to have some sandwiches.'"

# LO-CARB [illegible] 'N' SNIFF COOKIES

By DEBBIE PAKATIA

LANDON, Colo. – Tired of making tasteless, fat-, sugar-, cholesterol- and carb-free cookies? A new mail-chain bakery plans to sell scratch 'n' sniff cookies that smell like these fat-inducing, heart damaging, homemade cookies mom used to make, but with none of the inherent danger.

"Nobody can resist the smell of cookies right out of the oven," says Peter Turner, owner of Have Another bakery. "But everybody seems to be able to resist the taste. Lately. Our business is going to the dogs. Literally. We donate more cookies to the animal shelters than we sell."

Have Another will open bakeries around the country to offer the scratch 'n' sniff cookie. "We envision mail workers lining up to take our cookies with them. No guilt, and all the pleasant smells that evoke so much in American minds. They taste like cardboard though. Nobody's going to be tempted to cheat, that's the whole point. People will learn quickly to satisfy their unhealthy cravings with just a sniff."

Investors in the company say it's a sure thing. While Americans want to be more health conscious, many of them simply can't muster it. The cookies can only be scratched so many times before the smell wears out, prompting repeat customers. "And what better way to snag them than in the mail. They can take these in the stores with them, whereas they'd usually

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# MISS ADVENTURE BECOMES THE GAYEST AMERICAN ASTRONAUT

By DREW SULLIVAN
Cape Canaveral, Fla.

**REJOINING the space race after a two-year hiatus, NASA successfully launched the Space Shuttle Atlantis on April 11 and brought it safely back to earth the following day.**

"The top secret relaunch of the space shuttle was a complete triumph," said Chief Engineer Gale Gordon Jr. "There were only two glitches. First, the launch was not supposed to take place for another six weeks. Second, instead of our trained and dedicated crew it was piloted by the flamboyant self-promoter your newspaper calls 'Miss Adventure.'"

"It wasn't self-promotion, it was simply fitting that I take a trip on board the space shuttle Atlantis."

Life has its ups and downs but no one has had as many ups and downs as Andrews. In a few short months the 29-year-old hairdresser-turned-adventurer has traveled up Mount Everest on a monk coat and high heels, voyaged down to the bottom of the sea in search of priceless pearls, and journeyed even further down to the very center of the earth.

"Up and down, up and down — I feel like a pole vaulter," laughs Andrews. "Adventure is like a Brad Pitt film festival. Even the bad ones leave you breathless. As soon as I finish one journey I can't wait to take another."

Yet Miss Adventure's latest escapade was extreme even for her. Normally, Andrews, 42, had driven from their modest home in Teaneck, N.J., to the Florida Space Center. They arrived on a Saturday afternoon and immediately went to see Romano's nephew, Dr. P.T. Dimercan, 42, launch supervisor of the Atlantis.

Andrews hadn't visited the Space Center since the Clinton administration. He was pleased that the military personnel seemed to remember him.

"We walked into the mess hall — which was actually quite tidy, I thought — and no less than 20 men abruptly got up and left. They were probably rushing to get ready for a night at the Space Cruiser Ramada Grill, which is where I had met them last time. I was so happy I'd dressed for the occasion."

Miss Adventure had ex-

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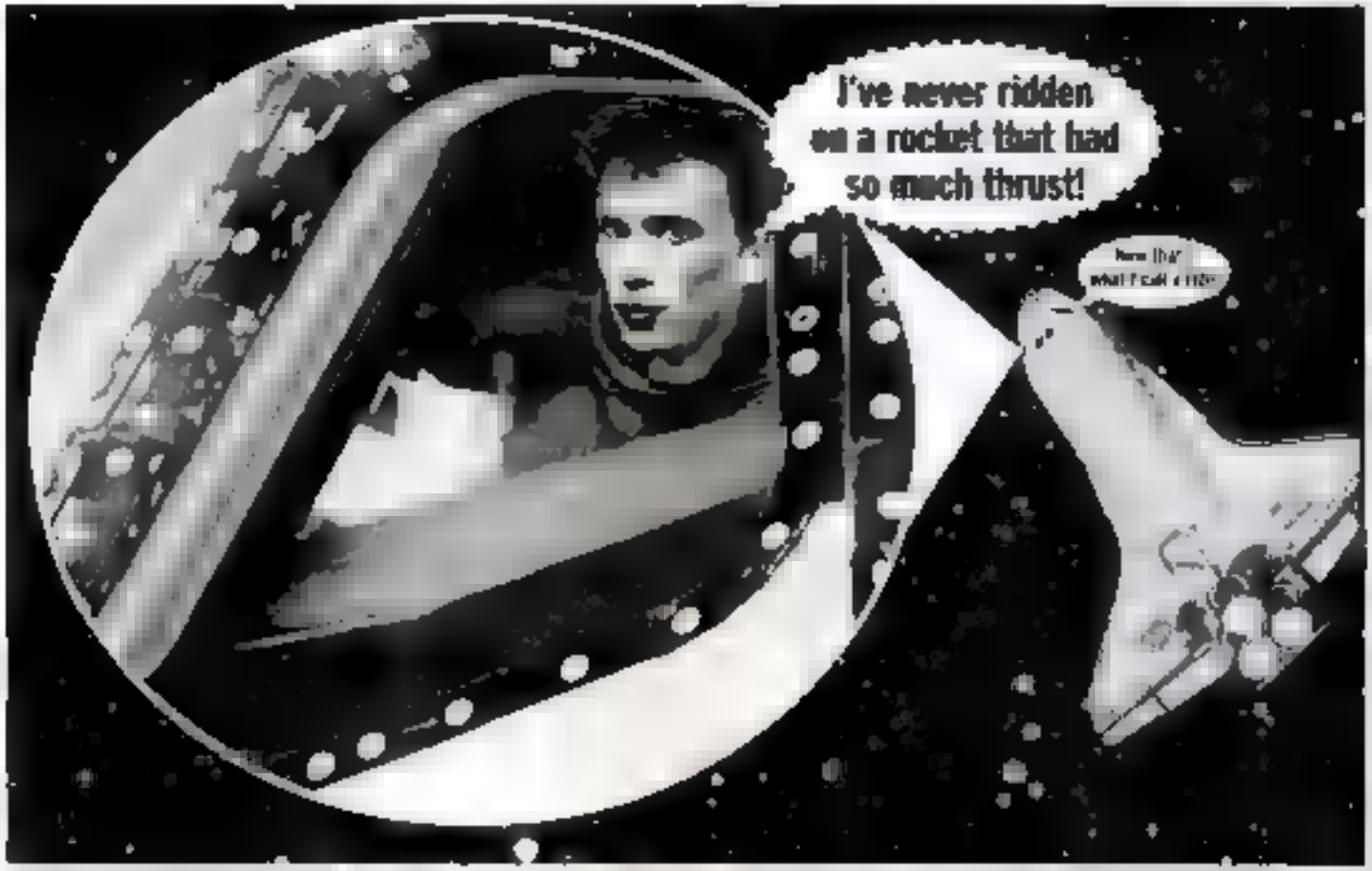


## Miss Adventure in the shuttle cockpit

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tradition for the visit.

"The whole Cape Canaveral, JFK, space race ambiance simply screamed this to me and I decided to go with a look inspired by that decade in general, and Laura Petrie on The Dick Van Dyke Show in particular. That's how I happened to be wearing a bright yellow blouse and hot pink capri pants," Miss Adventure told Chief Engineer Gordon Ti

[illegible] Hamburger." It was [illegible]

After lunch, Donovan offered to show his guests the space shuttle. Andrews thought it would prove impossible to breach security in order to view the shuttle, which had recently been rolled from the Vehicle Assembly Building in preparation for launch. Donovan assured him that it was really a very simple matter.

"He told me all the guys took their girlfriends to see it and that, dressed as I was, I'd simply be mistaken for his girlfriend. As it turned out, he was right. Within minutes of approaching the shuttle we were inside and he was explaining the entire procedure for sending the craft into space. And then, of course, he accidentally pushed the new silly button that launched us."

Miss Adventure later learned that it requires 200 million pounds of thrust from the shuttle's solid rocket boosters to achieve takeoff. "Thank God I was wearing flats." Donovan [illegible]

It was the first time I was frightened by anything like that," Miss Adventure declared. "I was smashed against the seat. Every part of me was jiggling like Roger Moore in Moonraker. I became very aware of excess fat on my neck and waist. I vowed that when I returned — if I returned — that flab had to go."

After the boosters were jettisoned and the brutal acceleration stopped, the Atlantis auto matically settled into orbit. That offered Andrews the chance to make several astonishing observations.

"The view was simply stunning. I'm not quite body art and I must say that our planet is a whole lot prettier without all those screaming lines you see on maps. However, Walt Disney was wrong. The world is not a cornucopia of color. It's mostly dark blue, brown and murky green. A few primary shades would be nice — some red ski wear caps or a nice yellow sash around the equator. Maybe a [illegible] the earth's atmosphere at a height of 400,000 feet. The ship's autopilot managed a smooth touchdown after which the three strangers, as Gordon called them, were immediately taken into custody. "I asked if I could be Shrimp," Andrews continued. "I like a challenge."

NASA threatened to throw the book at the reluctant astronauts, even though they had established several records in orbit — not all of them scientific. However, after a long closed door meeting with the top brass, all charges were dropped.

Besieged by reporters as he and Dee Dee prepared to drive home to New Jersey — where Miss Adventure said his first stop would be the gym — nor hero was coy when it came to explaining the military's abrupt change of heart.

"Don't ask and I won't tell," he winked.

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# MAN ELECTROCUTED BY LIGHTNING BUG

## Experts shocked by freak firefly fatality

By BECKY TODD
Nottinghamshire, England

**A BRITISH man died instantly when he was bitten by a lightning bug and electrocuted, say medical authorities.**

"[redacted] never seen anything like it before," said Dr. Rory Kincaid, head etymologist at the Insect Disease Institute of England (IDIE). "It's really quite shocking."

The bug fatality occurred when Geoffrey St John, 32, was out in his Nottinghamshire garden with his twin toddlers catching the sparkly [redacted] in jars.

"They were having a delightful time," recalled Victoria St. John, the man's 28-year-old widow. "They were romping around the lawn at dusk when the lightning bugs appear. The children were running after them with peanut butter containers I'd cleaned out [redacted] punctured [redacted] in the lids.

"Geoffrey was laughing and chasing about. It was the picture of family bliss I'd always dreamed of."

But then the [redacted] doll spotted another blinking bug and ran after it. Never suspecting that he had only minutes left to live.

"Geoffrey caught the insect in his hand and was about to give it to Audrey, our little girl, when he said 'Ouch. It stung me.' I thought he was kidding because everyone catches lightning bugs and they're harmless."

But just moments later Geoffrey's face, arms and legs began to swell like a balloon. He dropped to the ground and went into violent convulsions. Foam spewed from his mouth across [redacted] yard onto his prize rose bushes.

The kids screamed and Victoria, who was preparing a shepherd's pie for dinner, ran out the back door.

"By that time, smoke was billowing from my husband's ears," said Victoria, with a shiver. "I ran back into the house to call emergency rescue. But by the time they got to our home, it was too late. Geoffrey was dead."

Fortunately the deadly insect was still inside Audrey's peanut butter jar. Scientists from IDIE are now studying the bizarre bug.

"Usually fireflies are harmless," said Dr. Kincaid. "Their electrical charge is so minor you could touch a thousand at once and they wouldn't have enough power to hurt you.

"But this one is obviously different. The lightning bug, which we scientists have nicknamed Zeus, has enough electricity in its little body to light up New York City. From a scientific point of view, Zeus is the most amazing insect we've ever encountered."

Kincaid and his colleagues have many theories as to how an insect possessed enough voltage to kill a full-grown man.

"It may have been struck by lightning itself, and somehow survived the ordeal," speculated the scientist. "It may even be an unknown species bred in a remote area of Siberia, Africa or Asia that was trapped aboard a transport ship.

"Or it may be just one of those bizarre tricks of Mother Nature that make no sense at all."

The unusual discovery is no comfort to the widow or the dead man's children.

"Zeus doesn't deserve to live and attain such notoriety," said Victoria. "I should have squashed the little bastard when I had the chance."

## MAN OPENS 'INCONVENIENCE STORE'

By SCOTT STEVENS

[redacted] sells will set you back $3.75.

"[redacted] doesn't serve cheese," Jackson said. "You want something in two hours, it's gonna cost you."

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WEEKLY WORLD NEWS EXTREME OPINION

# MY AMERICA

BY ED ANGER

***After final report acknowledges U.S. was 'dead wrong' about Iraqi WMDs, Ed says . . .***

# I APOLOGIZE TO FRANCE — on behalf of America!

**I'M MADDER than Napoleon Bonaparte with a mouse trap in the vest where he sticks his hand at all this French-bashing I keep hearing!**

Bigmouths on TV still pick on the Frenchies and call them " a nation of cowards" for not backing us when we were fixing to invade Iraq.

Mind you, [redacted] after a presidential commission came out with a final report saying the U.S. was "dead wrong" about Iraq having weapons of mass destruction.

Let's face it: The French were right all along. That tinhorn dictator Saddam didn't have so much as a decent Bowie knife — let alone nukes, by jimmy.

Well, as Pogo admit when he's wrong. And [redacted] that if "Hanoi" Jane Fonda is woman enough to finally admit she was an idiot for posing on that gal-darned North Vietnamese anti-aircraft gun, yours truly can allow as this time I was all [redacted] for calling the French yellow.

So right here and now I apologize to [redacted] on [redacted] behalf of the U.S. of A.

From now on, I'll be calling freedom fries "French fries" again and I'll [redacted] to eating French toast instead of Belgian waffles. Heck, I'll even give my daughter Sarah Lee the green light to French kiss [redacted] as she doesn't do it within a [redacted] distance of the [redacted] about the only thing I don't aim to do is watch [redacted] high-brow French movies — which I never did before anyhow.

[redacted] my "sorry" quick. This go-around, why should pundits like me who gave the invasion a big thumbs-up keep kicking ourselves?

Dobyns's own commission found that the main source for that WMD hogwash was an alcoholic codenamed Curveball who, as the CIA knew, was described as "crazy" and a "congenital liar" — by his friends.

back home starting a feud with the Slocum brothers [redacted], the bereaved with the wandering eye who was addicted to licking toads, told us they were gonna come gunning for us.

Like it or not, buckaroos, it turns out [redacted] Jacques Chirac, the president of France, was right on the money when he told everyone not to worry about Saddam. And when our own Prez told us we had to invade pronto on account of WMDs, he was full of horse manure.

[redacted] a great patriot. [redacted] of folks have been making fun of the French for thinking Jerry is a genius.

Well, guess what? I [redacted] watched three of Jerry's movies back to back [redacted] funnier than hell. Generation X whipper-[redacted] can brag all they want in about their comedy [redacted] Carrey, but I'd rather watch *The Disorderly Orderly* [redacted] a zillion times than watch that stupid *Ace Ventura, Pet Detective* ever again!

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# COPS PATROL 'BOARDERS'

By BERNIE MACFARLSON
Crime Reporter

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif. — They patrol in cars. On motorcycles. There are even bicycle police. But in San Francisco the police force has unleashed a new kind of peace officer: skateboard cops.

"We've got to move with the times," declared a police department spokesman. "Criminal skateboarders are fast and unpredictable."

As a result, the San Francisco police department has created a special squad to pursue skateboarding felons. Called the Boarder Patrol, the seventeen officers have all been issued a standard All Terrain 6" white and blue board. Since they hit the streets three weeks ago, juvenile crime has dropped nearly 60 percent.

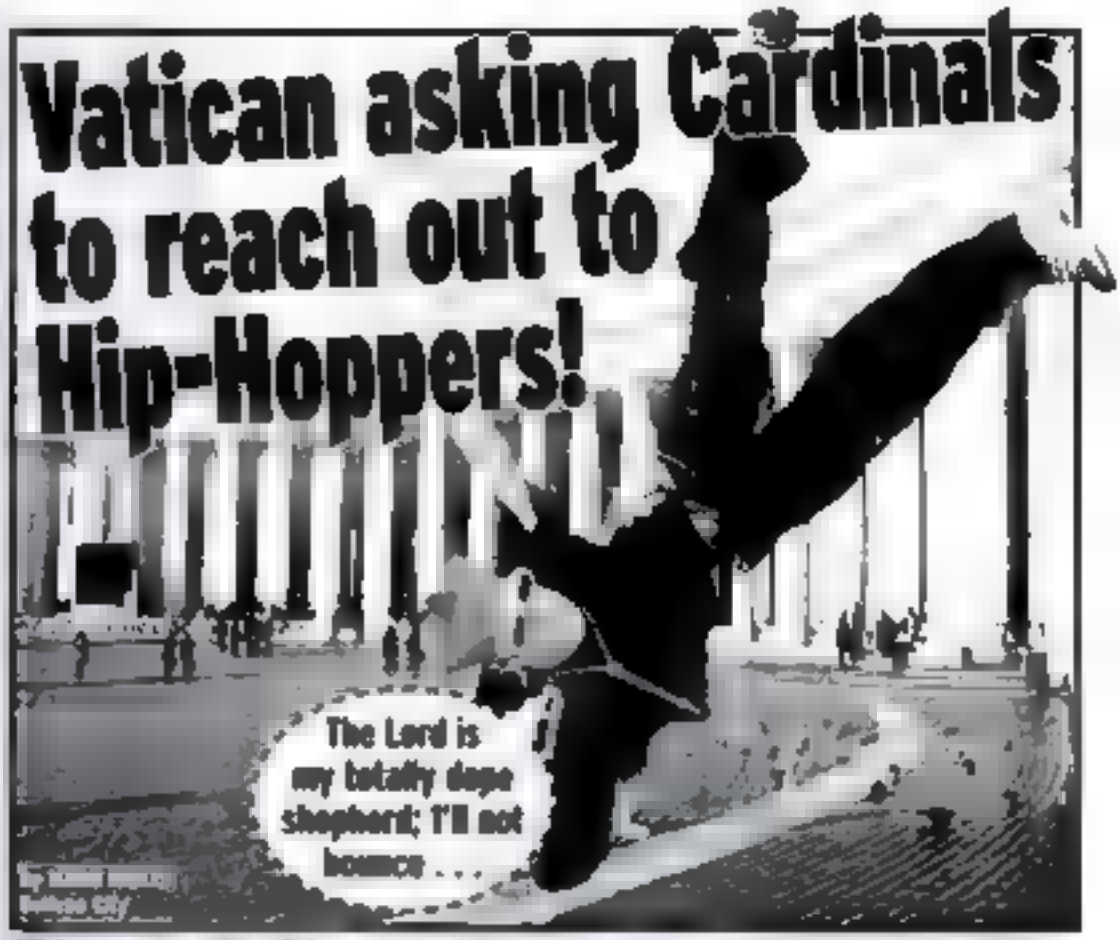
"Yo, the dude that ordered me was good," said purse-snatcher Barry T. "When I skateboarded over the bushes and did a roll-in down the hill, I thought I lost him. But that cop was with me the whole time."

The Boarder Patrol is also having an impact on serious adult crime.

"This bank robber came running from the Third National with a bag of loot. He was headed for the getaway car," said Officer Joe Bolton. "I skidded down a stair railing and did an axle grind on the guy, knocking him out."

Though the future looks radical for the SFPD, patrolman

# Vatican asking Cardinals to reach out to Hip-Hoppers!




**In a continuation of the work begun by the late Pope John Paul II, the Vatican is asking Cardinals throughout the world to reach out to hip-hoppers.**

"The Church realizes that its healthy future depends on attracting and keeping the young people in its fold," says Vatican spokesman Cardinal Bishop Roger Echeguray, 81. "If we're perceived as old-fashioned and out of step with the times, we'll lose the young people we have and won't be able to incorporate future generations."

"But if we can reach the most cutting-edge of these young people today — the hip-hoppers, these young people everywhere will realize the Church can be funky fresh, and to those young people I would say, on behalf of the Church, bad-yaa."

The campaign to reach out to hip-hoppers started in January of 2004, when Pope John Paul II presided over a performance of break dancers who leaped, flipped and spun their bodies to beats

his hand after each dancer completed a move, then applauding for the entire group.

"For this creative hard work I bless you from my heart," he said.

The dancers planted the head on the inlaid marble floor of the Vatican hall and spun to loud applause from his group and from Vatican officials. Another performer during his body around on a series of spins and handstands.

"Artistic talent is a gift from God," John Paul commented.

"But now that the Pontiff has been called to God," states Echeguray, "it remains for the rest of us Cardinals to continue the mission to attract hip-hoppers

to the Church. Vatican officials have outlined a three-step plan to reach out to hip-hoppers:

**WARDROBE** — Cardinals will be provided with new hip-hop clothing, including: Diamond studded sunglasses, a du-rag, a hundred sweat shirt, pant alligator belts with a silver dollar sign belt buckle. Fubu Nitro Tech athletic shoes and a blue blow pack down from which dangles a gold plated rosary.

**LANGUAGE** — Hip-hop versions of all major Catholic prayers will be provided to Cardinals. For example: "The Lord is my totally dope shepherd. I'll not bounce. The Dude makes me step off on fly pastures. With Him I be ballin'. He be totally def, dog. As we trip through I walk through this here world. Head filled wit snacks and honeys. I remain a player."

**DANCE** — The Cardinals will be provided with instruction in all the current hip-hop dances to enable them to hang out in the hippest clubs and approach potential churchgoers. Dances to be mastered include 'Hip Hockin', 'Chair Freeze', 'Back Stab', 'Brooklyn

# HOW TO TELL IF ABDUCTED

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# YOU'VE BEEN BY ALIENS

## 10 telltale signs

By Mike Jenkins
Bristol, U.K.

MOST people have been abducted by aliens, say some UFO experts — the odds are you've one of them.

"Extraterrestrials possess the ability to wipe human memory clean," said Dr. J. Allen Longpeck, a UFO investigator from Houston, Texas. "You could be kidnapped again or twice a week and you wouldn't remember a thing."

But there are numerous signs that you've been taken aboard a spacecraft and examined, according to Dr. Longpeck. Here is a revealing excerpt from his upcoming book *Did I Forget To Mention I'm An Alien?*

• You look in the mirror and your nose is suddenly swollen — "Many extraterrestrials are interested in plastic surgery [enhancement] and try them out on their captives," said Dr. Longpeck.

• You suddenly discover you are missing a limb — "You know you started out the day with two arms and two legs, and yet, when it's time to go to bed, one is missing," said Dr. Longpeck. "Despite their advanced technology, aliens take out organs, a finger, a kidney, an appendix as they can't remember them exactly," explained Dr. Longpeck. Despite their

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• You find a lot of [illegible]

everyday things like your name, the [illegible] your address, your [illegible] color, etc. — "The alien scientists may steal out a vital part of your brain," said Dr. Longpeck.

• You cut yourself and your blood is green — "This is when they accidentally sucked out too much of your blood and had to give you a blood transfusion from their own blood bank," explained the expert.

• You suddenly find yourself in a foreign country thousands of miles from where you live — "Aliens have a very bad sense of direction and can't read maps worth a damn," said Dr. Longpeck. "They'll circle around the globe a lot, then get disgusted and just give their human subjects the boot when it's dinner-

[illegible] fear of [illegible] It's never [illegible] human-experiment is telling you you've been probed, prodded, injected and pickled enough," said Dr. Longpeck.

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# POLICE BEAT

# REPEAT OFFENDER: CROOK STEALS SAME STUFF TWICE, SAY COPS!

## 'This guy is a moron,' says victim

By DORIAN WAGNER
Charleston, S.C.

**"IF AT FIRST [redacted] succeed, try, try again" [redacted] exactly the smartest motto for a crook. It's just too bad no one told that to [redacted] guy.**

Richard Wayne Cook, 44, of North Charleston, S.C., allegedly went to the same place to [redacted] the same items [redacted] the same people he'd [redacted] victimized, cops say.

Four years ago, [redacted] was charged for an identical crime — stealing $13,000 worth of guitars, amplifiers and a television from the [redacted] of [redacted] and [redacted] Wyman.

"[redacted] guy was moron," [redacted] says. [redacted] was in [redacted] guitars were "[redacted] and the evidence tag on it from the last time it was stolen."

"It's almost sad," adds the husband.

Thinking the burglar may try to sell their stuff for cash, the couple notified Bryn Wilson, owner of Precision Guitar [redacted] helped with [redacted] same scenario the first time around season. And their suspicions were right.

The story owner [redacted] Mitch he [redacted] just [redacted] the exact [redacted] a man minutes earlier.

"I don't know [redacted] names of [redacted] customers. [redacted] their guitars," Wilson says.

He [redacted] asked them not to honor the check he'd written for the guitar when Cook tried to cash it. [redacted] say [redacted] bank [redacted] and, as expected, Cook returned to Wilson's shop to try and get his money.

Unfortunately for him, the police were there when he returned to the store in (a top & all of) a stolen Buick Skylark!

Cook has been charged with burglary, grand larceny and possession of a stolen vehicle and booked in jail without bail.

The Wyman's however, say they won't relax until he's convicted.

"He doesn't need to be on the streets anymore," Mitch says. "It is to the point where we're going to have to get a burglar alarm for one person."

**dope of the week**

**Charleston County Sheriff's Office**

COOK, RICHARD WAYNE

ID#: 0000032562
Height: 5'10"
Race: W
Sex: M
DOB: 10/27/60
Weight: 160

Booking [redacted]: 03/15/05

## CRIME BLOTTER

### DRUNK TRIED TO SNATCH POOCH'S DINNER

To one drunk with the munchies, even dog food seemed like it would be a tasty treat.

A Chinese man, who police name only as Lu, was drinking alone at home when he reportedly became jealous of a neighbor's dog's dinner and attempted to steal it.

Police say the dog had been dining on a hearty pork shank, while Lu had nothing but a tiny plate of fried peanuts. Lu allegedly attacked the pooch and tried to [redacted] hand to protect his food.

According to reports, neighbors heard the commotion and took the desperately hungry drunk to the hospital for treatment.

### HOME DEPOT CUSTOMERS DUEL WITH 2-BY-4s

A skirmish over a shopping cart turned into an all-out 2-by-4 duel between two Home Depot customers.

Larry Bostic, 52, of Vineland, Pa., allegedly took the cart Wei Sun, 45, of Upper Darby left unattended in an aisle. As Bostic started to load his lumber, Sun noticed it was his and demanded it back, police say.

The two men resorted to violence to solve the matter, both

wound to his chin and needed eight stitches. Both men were arrested for the duel.

### FAKE BISHOP BUSTED FOR COCAINE

Catholic bishop tried to slip by customs at a Venezuelan airport with nearly 20 pounds of cocaine under his frock.

Angel Velasco Padilla was arrested at Maiquetia International Airport with 17.4 pounds of coke under his belt and 12 smaller packets in his underwear, police say.

Padilla told officials he was a member of the Dutch archdiocese, but a source from the Catholic church denies the smuggler is connected to the church in any way.

"He is a Spanish citizen . . . but he is not a bishop and he does not have any links to the church," says the source. "He was disguised and

*She's a walking billboard for the Lord . . .*

# WOMAN'S ENTIRE BODY TATTOOED WITH BIBLE QUOTES!

By MARK MILLER
Fayetteville, N.C.

SOME people clearly take religion more seriously than others, as evidenced by a North Carolina woman who has tattooed her entire body with quotations from the Bible! Vicki Carroll, 27, is known throughout her city as "that nut who has tattooed 95 percent of her body with biblical quotes dealing with the wages of sin."

**'I saw Jesus' face in my bowling ball — and heard his voice tell me what I had to do!'**

"I took a look at all the evil in the world," explained Carroll, "and I asked myself what I, just one person, could do to address this very serious problem. I thought about entering a convent. But that seemed a bit severe and I heard the food's not all that great."

Then, a religious vision came to Carroll in, of all places, a bowling alley.

"I had just bowled a strike. When I looked down at the ball after it returned, I saw that the swirling pattern on the surface formed a picture of Jesus giving the thumbs-up! As I stared, stunned, I swear I could hear a voice in my head, saying, 'Vicki, garth and adorneth thy body with tattoos condemning sin.' I was so stunned, I couldn't even play the rest of the game. I hadn't heard from Jesus since the night I gave my heart to Him at a tent revival when I was 12, and I wasn't sure I'd ever hear from him again."

Carroll went straight from the bowling alley to the nearest tattoo parlor and had them tattoo the biblical quote, "All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" — Romans 3:23, down her right arm. "It was painful and felt very strange at first," recalled Carroll, "but just knowing I was fulfilling Jesus' wishes warmed my heart and made me feel I was doing the right thing. Plus, I got a lot of compliments on it."

The next week, Carroll returned to the tattoo parlor and had them put "No whoremonger[,] no unclean person hath an inheritance in the Kingdom of Christ and of God" — Ephesians 5:5, on her left arm. The week after that, she got "Evil companionships corrupt good morals" — I Corinthians 15:33, on her right leg, and "I will watch my ways and keep my tongue from sin — Psalm 39:1, on her left leg. "I realized I felt better, stronger, and more virtuous each time I got an additional tattoo," says Carroll. "I realized I was getting addicted to the Bible tattoos, although I couldn't help noticing that my dating life seemed to be suffering for some reason."

A year later, almost every inch of Carroll's body was filled with biblical quote tattoos, including her favorite, across her belly: "Put on the full armor of God, that you may be able to stand firm against the schemes of the Devil — Ephesians 6:14." Carroll sees it this way: "These tattoos are my spiritual

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# TEXAS MAN STRIKES

## HE GIVES FREE GAS TO HIS NEIGHBORS!

By MICHAEL CRISMON
ALPINE, Texas

**HOME handyman Billy Ray Shurdell lucked out big-time when an earthquake shifted underground oil deposits worth countless billions of dollars into his backyard!**

But instead of leasing [redacted] field to some giant [redacted] oil-rich fat cat, the down-to-earth ordinary Joe set up a tiny "mini-[redacted]" on his porch so he can provide free gasoline to his neighbors.

"I had an [redacted] lottery jackpot and all that money brought him nothing but misery — I swore that wasn't going to happen to me," explained Shurdell, 45. "I gas up my pickup once a week without ever having to leave home and I figure that puts me ahead of the game.

"A geologist from the university told me there's probably enough crude oil on my property to supply my family and all the other [redacted] gas for the next 12 generations. I expect by then, the rest of the world will have [redacted] using some other kind of energy — but my neighbors here in Alpine can count on still having old-fashioned gas to run their [redacted] enough for his incredible generosity — noting that the free gas has been a boon to the local economy. "Not having to worry about gas money to get to and from work and pick up the kids from day care takes a big load off," said a single mom named Kim, 34. "Billy Ray is a terrific guy with a big heart."

Huge oil companies have offered Shurdell as much as $15 billion for the [redacted] on his [redacted] down. "Money isn't everything," noted Shurdell, who likes to keep a low profile and whose picture has never even been in the local paper. "Being a good neighbor means much more to me."

**'Money isn't everything — being a good neighbor means much more to me'**

The amazing saga began on April 15, 1998, when Alpine, located in Brewster County, was rattled by a minor earthquake measuring just 3.8 on the Richter scale.

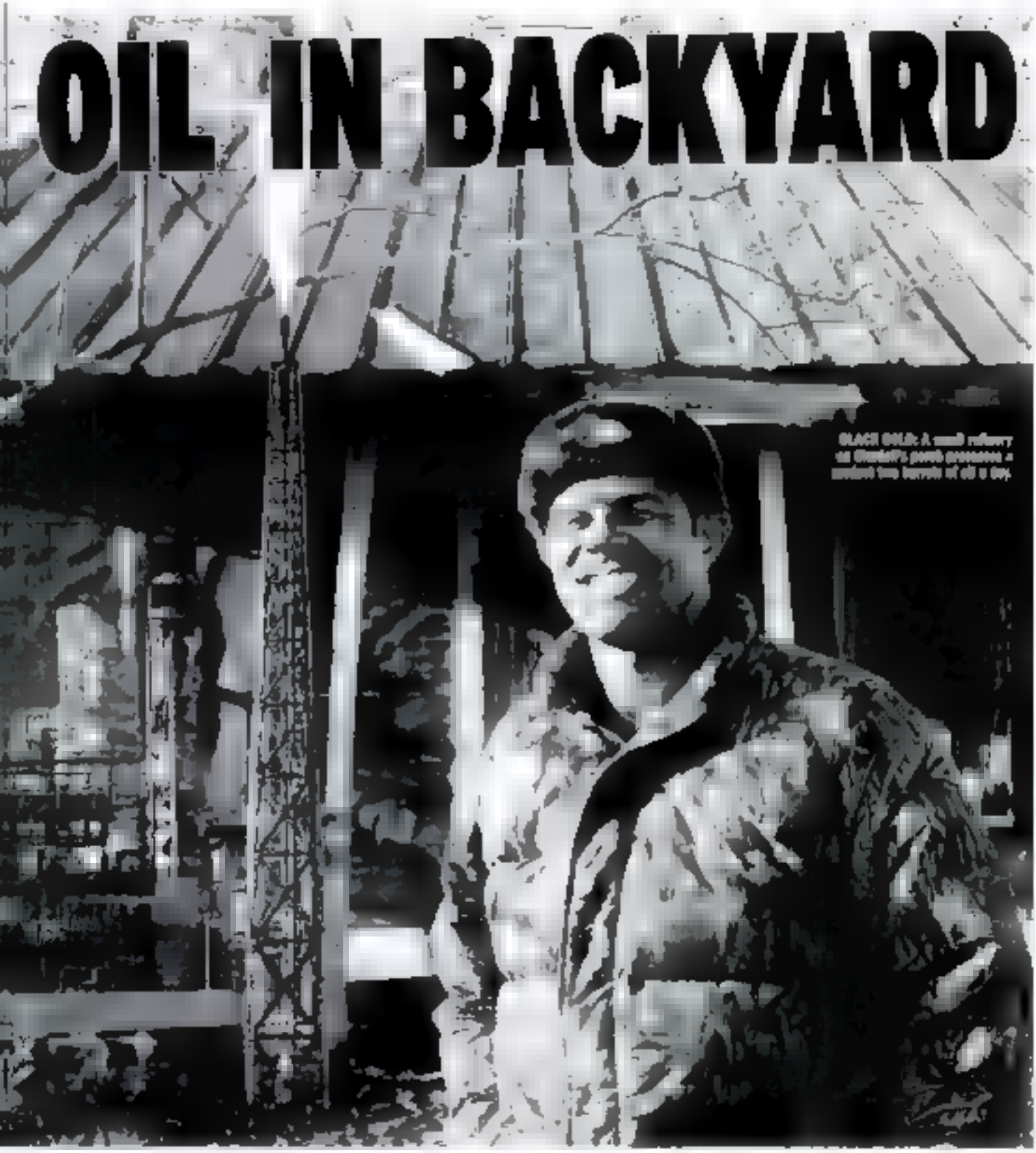
"A few dishes broke and the cat got spooked something awful, but it didn't do any real harm to the house. Afterward, I hardly gave it a second thought," recalled Shurdell.

But beneath Shurdell's dry, barren 4.5-acre property outside town, something extraordinary had happened. The quake had shifted the Marathon Basin, a vast, oil-rich region approximately 250 miles wide and 300 miles long underlying West Texas and the adjoining area of southeastern New [redacted]," explained geologist Bill Roberto Quintez. "The basin is the source of much of the oil extracted from Texas each year. The earthquake caused an underground oil spill that moved a mother lode of crude from Pecos County south to Brewster County where the Shurdell property lies.

Shurdell [redacted] makes ends meet by fixing everything from neighbors' toasters to bikes, didn't realize what had happened till nearly six months later when he noticed "black gold" bubbling from a hole he'd dug to plant some shrubbery. "I got some experts to take a look at it and when they told us it was oil, I got real excited," he recalled. "I felt like Jed Clampett on *The Beverly Hillbillies* — my wife Judy and I started dancing around saying, 'We're rich, we're rich.' But that night as I lay in bed thinking, it hit me that I didn't want money to change me. I woke Judy up and told her what I planned to do. At first, she said, 'Are you out of your mind?' But soon I

property ironically, decades earlier previous owners had unsuccessfully searched for oil.

# OIL IN BACKYARD



BLACK GOLD: A small refinery on Shardell's yard processes a modest but lucrative flow of oil and gas.

a small well up and running. That first oil extracted also helped pay for a new two-mini mansion he

but that's all we need," Shardell revealed.

Texas oil companies

moved by the earthquake

"Giving away free oil to a handful of people may have made Mr. Shardell

market price," fumed a frustrated industry spokesman. "To simply sit

## GOVERNMENT APPLYING PRESSURE TO EPA TO

# DEADLY NEW LIVE IN

By [redacted]
Press, Edit.

UNIVERSITY scientists have discovered a bizarre new airborne life form that has evolved in smog and they warn it poses a potentially deadly health threat to all Americans.

Dubbed smogbrutes by researchers, the tiny microorganisms are now being blamed for a host of medical woes, ranging from asthma attacks and whooping cough to emphysema. Yet astonishingly, the federal government is taking a hands-off [redacted] tures and the White House has [redacted] blocked scientists' report on the

[redacted] February 11 discovery [redacted]

"The government is [redacted] death and head games," explained environmental activist Dr. Henry Gelb, leader of the team that conducted the study funded by National Institutes of Health. "The obvious solution would be to cut pollution as much as possible and wipe these microorganisms out. But if the Environmental Protection Agency tries to invoke the Clean Air Act that would violate the Endangered Species Act.

"Destroying any rare creature's natural habitat is illegal — even if it's smog."

But the Bush administration also has political reasons for stonewalling the discovery.

"To announce that these microorganisms 'evolved' in [redacted] would [redacted] the administration's political base, the Christian right, which maintains that evolution is patently silly," said the scientist. "At the very least, White House policy officials deny everything — while working quietly behind the scenes to figure out a way to contradict or report this research."

Smog is a form of air pollution produced by sunlight interacting with hydrocarbons and nitrogen oxides released into the atmosphere mostly from cars and factories. The first known use of the word appeared in a July 16, 1905 report in London's Daily Graphic on a meeting of the Public Health Congress. Dr. H.A. des [redacted] presented a paper in [redacted] to extract the terms by combining "smoke" and "fog."

"Smogbrutes probably [redacted] during the Industrial Revolution, when [redacted] churning out massive quantities of air pollution," said Fresno- [redacted] they [redacted] harmless [redacted] that lived on rats in these areas. Now they can only survive in smog. Expose them to fresh air and they quickly perish." The scientists retrieved a sample of the weird-looking [redacted] while flying in a small plane through a low-lying smog bank

"When I peered through a microscope and saw them for the first time, I was dazzled and

## ENFORCE CLEAN AIR ACT . . .

# CREATURES SMOG!

[illegible]

[illegible]

"We believe there are colonies in other highly polluted cities as well, such as Houston, [illegible]. "And if they're not, [illegible] smogolodyte [illegible] wind [illegible] any city where [illegible] enough smog to sustain them will eventually host a colony."

The creepy critters, about ½ the size of the head of a pin, feed on other particles found in smog. When people breathe [illegible]

[illegible] become careless.

"You develop a hacking cough that doesn't go away — a tickly sensation in your throat," revealed Dr. Bell. "Your lungs serve as a breeding ground and you literally become a smogolodyte factory. Eventually, you have an explosive coughing fit and expel some spores. If the wind carries them to a nearby smog bank they will thrive."

The United States built the [illegible]

[illegible] worse off.

"Our colleagues from [illegible] Colegio de Mexico estimate 10,000 people there were killed last year as a result of smogolodyte-related medical problems," says Dr. [illegible]. "We could soon see such large numbers here in the U.S."

America has been waging an uphill battle against pollution since 1970, when the Federal [illegible]

[illegible] Clean Air Act [illegible] American Lung Association [illegible] charge.

"Since he came into office, President Bush has been pushing his so-called Clear Skies Initiative — which, if you read the fine print, would actually allow companies to pollute more," noted Dr. Bell.

"That's bad for average Americans, but good for smogolodytes," he smiled gravely. "It's also good for scientists like myself who are [illegible]"

# WHAT MAKES THE WORLD GO ROUND?

## THE BIG FURRY ANSWER WILL ASTOUND YOU!

By TERRANCE GRIANCE
Princeton, N.J.

**THE FUMES now escaping [redacted] Mount St. Helens in Washington state confirm what a leading researcher at Princeton's prestigious Institute of Taxonomical Studies has long suspected: There are a large number of giant guinea pigs in the hollow center of the earth.**

"And that's not all. It's their running [redacted] makes the world go around," said Dr. James R. Mensa, the world's leading expert on guinea pig physiology and behavior.

Dr. Mensa announced the results of his research in the same New Jersey town where Albert Einstein used to live and work. Dr. Mensa's findings are considered by some scientists to be as important as Einstein's General Theory of Relativity — though Dr. Mensa insists that his discovery is even more of a breakthrough.

"People can actually understand my theory," he said.

The Mount St. Helens gases provided the key evidence to the existence of the giant guinea pigs.

[redacted] expert [redacted] Velikowski of the State University of Poland. Around 10 years ago, [redacted] patches of hair on the slopes of Mount St. Helens [redacted]

DR. MENSA believes giant 900-pound guinea pigs live at the center of the Earth. This illustration compares the giant rodent to a rabbit.

they thought the strands belonged to vaporized deer and rabbits. The one problem with that theory: These hairs were each 10 to 12 feet long.

"We thought maybe they had been fused by the intense heat," Dr. Mensa said. "Either that or it was shed by a hairy boa constrictor."

"Volcanic gas can cause strange mutations," added the wid[redacted] Velikowski, who has spent a l[redacted] around active volcanoes and claims to possess X-ray vision.

When Dr. Mensa returned to his laboratory with the sample he discovered that the DNA perfectly matched the guinea pigs whose habits, brains and [redacted] ability he had been studying for [redacted]

the volcano erupted again," he told us.

The recent return trip [redacted] connection. When Mount [redacted] coughed up a massive [redacted], Dr Velikowski and Dr. Mensa were there[redacted]

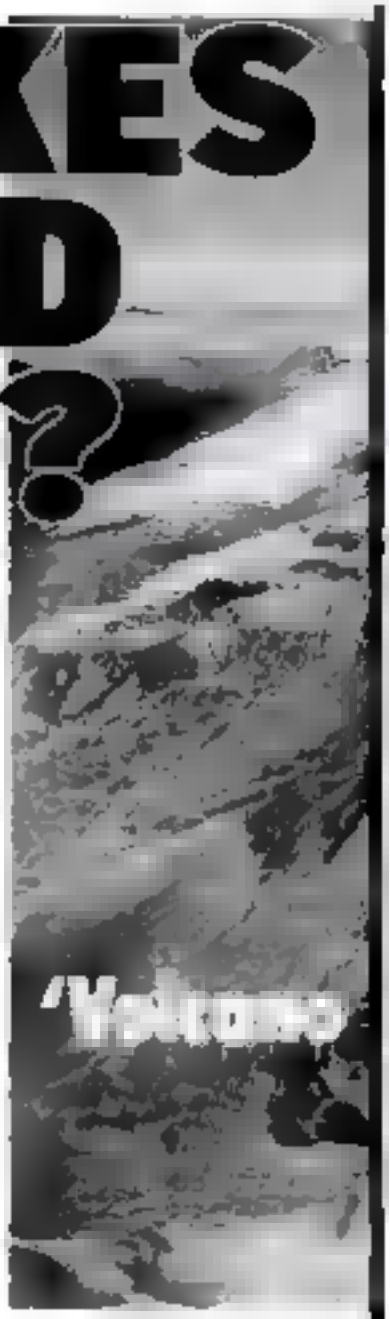
The 53-year-old Dr. Mensa felt deeply [redacted] discovery. He has devoted most of his adult life to the [redacted] isn't a[redacted] easy going. He is [redacted] Mensa, a well-known PETA (People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals) activist.

"I couldn't stand the way he kept those cute little creatures in cages," said the former Mrs. Mensa, who briefly lived with chimp chef Pierre (Weekly World News, April 11). "And his notion that guinea pigs cause the earth to tilt[redacted] absurd. I won't tell you how he came up with the idea — but it's another reason I couldn't [redacted] to be with him!"

[redacted] Mensa declined to elaborate.

"She's a crazed fanatic and a very jealous woman," Dr. Mensa says. "I love my guinea pigs. I also love the [redacted] wheelbarrow my house and the five gerbils who share my bed at night."

Getting back to his revolutionary theory, Dr. Mensa has postulated that each of the titanic rodents weighs approximately [redacted]




because it would crush their tiny feet and make them unable to waddle around, much less get up enough steam to keep the earth in motion."

With that as a baseline figure, Dr. Mensa computed that there are somewhere between 1,500 and 2,000 giant guinea pigs in the center of the earth.

"I figured this out by calculating the earth's mass and the amount of energy needed to move it," he explained. "The formula can be expressed as E=MC2 where E is the earth, M is its mass, and C2 is one hun-

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# giant land [illegible] 'rouge mutations'



THIS DRAWING shows giant guinea pigs living at the center of the earth.

required to generate stable entertainment."

Of course, the stress of moving the earth must take a toll on the giant guinea pig hearts. Dr. Mensa suspects that the life span of the giant guinea pigs may only be about two years, or half as long as that of a normal-sized pig.

"When these giant earth movers die, their comrades almost certainly tidy up by pushing them into the lava," the scientist says. "This would help to explain another natural phenomenon. Sometimes their bodies [illegible] might be eaten. Dr. Mensa suspects there may be tree-sized lettuce fields inside the earth.

"The lava-rich soil would be a perfect growing environment for super-big vegetables," he says.

"Guinea pigs also [illegible] of the psychological stress [illegible] great, the largest of the animals, the Baggus Pigus, would simply thin the ranks."

Psychological stress?

"Well, yes," Dr. Mensa explained. "Guinea pigs are out

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When a loved one is far away, you'll be at ease. Merely follow a simple way to determine whether they are OK and out of harm's way. It's a [redacted] than a long trip by [redacted]

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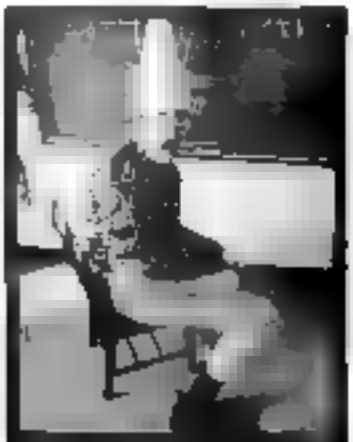

## MAN COMPLETES 25-YEAR-OLD DETENTION

By MARILYN MOFFORD

FORT WAYNE, Ind. — A boy who got caught pulling a cruel prank in high school has finally completed his detention — 25 years later!

"I deserved it," the 43-year-old Finkle admits today. "I guess I just pushed my teacher too far."

Although he graduated in May 1960, Finkle has been showing up at his old high school every day at 3:00 p.m. and staying two hours for detention. Finkle, who now works as an accountant, was not legally obligated to finish his detention, but he chose to do so anyway.

"It just felt like the right thing to do," Finkle says. "I did a lot of bad things in high school, and this was my way of making up for it."

Finkle's history teacher, Ronald Stedman, recalls, "That boy had been giving me guff all year. One day, he pulled a practical joke that went way too far."

The prank involved spreading tacks and super glue over the teacher's seat. "When I sat in my chair," Stedman remembers, "it was incredibly painful. But I couldn't get up because of the super glue."

After he was finally set free by having his pants cut off, an enraged Stedman ordered the record-setting detention. Now, 25 years later, Finkle's sentence has finally reached its end.

"I'm glad it's done," the for-

# NEW BAKERY MAKES EDIBLE CLOTHING

WEEKLY WORLD NEWS EXCLUSIVE

## DELICIOUS DUDS SELLING LIKE HOT CAKES!

By BECKY TODD
New York City, N.Y.

**THE Bite [illegible] in the Big Apple [illegible] delicious and fashionable pastries that customers wear during the day and eat at night!**

"People can't wait until they get home so they can stuff their clothes down their throats," says Bite Me owner Steven Silverstein, 44.

The fashion treats are the brainchild of Swedish-French master chef Nils Berri-DeBlow, who invented a remarkable new dough that can be shaped and baked into shirts, pants, lingerie, skirts, socks, blouses, dresses, sports outfits and stylish accessories that will not crumble when they're worn.

He's keeping the ingredients secret until his patent is secure.

But Berri-DeBlow assures consumers everything that goes into their outfits is healthy and delicious.

"I have a lovely tennis skirt and matching top that will hold up through a whole day at the country club," says Berri-DeBlow, "and even a nice selection of jogging pants."

The edible ensembles come in a wide variety of colors and flavors to fit every taste.

Patrons of Bite Me — which currently has an exclusive contract with Berri-DeBlow to market his invention — simply make their choices from a catalogue, and pick them up the next day.

"Last week, I made my first bridal gown," said the chef proudly. "It was absolutely breathtaking. When the bride walked down the aisle in her white flaky dress complete with cream filling, the guests gasped with surprise and delight.

"The groom told me later he very much enjoyed eating the dress off his new wife on their honeymoon — it added a uniquely romantic touch to the occasion."

The delectable don-and-devour clothing does take some getting used to, though. Self-discipline is a must.

"When I wore my first Bite Me blouse, I had a little

LADIES who aren't quite standing have their own

to the office in the morning," confides satisfied customer Sharon Separ, an executive assistant in a large law firm. "It was so scrumptious I simply couldn't stop. By lunchtime I was nearly topless! I ran home and changed.

"Next time I'll eat a big breakfast so I won't be tempt-

BITE ME BAKERY owner Steven Silverstein says his customers can't wait to stuff his cookie ties down their throats.

Bite Me shirt, tie and slacks to the Exchange one day, but it was other people's greediness that left him exposed.

"You know how crazy it is on the trading floor," he says. "Everyone's very stressed, yelling and pushing and shoving. A lot of time when people

Silverstein says so far the best-selling items are the donut variety necklaces and the chocolate cream pie hats.

"Men enjoy the chocolate chip cookie ties and women really go for the angel food underwear," adds the proprietor. "Soon, we'll probably

# MEDIA VOTES TO RENAME RELIGIOUS RIGHT 'RELIGIOUS WRONG'

Christian Coalition founder Pat Robertson

By MICHAEL PRESTON

WASHINGTON – Don't expect to hear the term "religious right" from members of the media anymore. Most major news organizations will soon be calling conservative Christians "the religious wrong."

"There's nothing right about them," declared a spokesperson for the Association of Liberal Reporters at a March 24 news conference.

"They're wrong on just about every issue, from evolution to gay rights. Why should they have an unchallenged monopoly on the word 'right?'

"They should count themselves lucky. The first proposal was the catchy phrase 'Christian crazies,' but it was voted down because members feared people would interpret it as a sign of bias."

Conservative Christians have been known by many nicknames over the years. In the 1980s they were called fundamentalists. But, when that word became synonymous with "ignorant bigots," many opted to instead be known as "born again Christians." When that, too, eventually became synonymous with ignorant bigots, the term "religious right" arose.

The new term will be introduced gradually, beginning in May, journalists say. A handful of news organizations are not expected to jump on the bandwagon, including the conservative FOX News Channel.

"Instead, they'll probably use the newest term conservative Christians have called for themselves, 'Americans with values,'" predicts journalism

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# TOWER OF TURBAN

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# THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

By DORIAN WAGNER

## 1922

### Alien assist

A pilot took first place in a biplane race with an aircraft that supposedly ran out of gas half a mile before the finish line. It is rumored aliens intervened for the win.

One witness recalled Jim Berner's souped-up R3C-1 Land-Racer sputtering before the final bend, but a "miraculous burst of power suddenly jetted him past everyone else anyway."

Others attenders of the Spirit of Speed event in Topeka, Kan., had similar accounts, but Berner's crew denied the charges as "out of this world."

"There's no way," said chief mechanic Brad Murphy. "Jim won fair and square."

Interestingly enough, however, Berner's gas tank was completely dry after the race and finish line photos provided a fuzzy, but noticeable image of another being in the winning plane's backseat.

## 1982

### Eat your words

An Albany, N.Y., man devoured an entire dictionary in an attempt to become smarter.

Alan Slickstein, 55, claimed he did it because college never worked for him and he needed to find a easier way to absorb the information.

"If I eat it, perhaps I'll be able to digest it better," he told his sister, Lisa. She says she tried to talk him out of the literary lunch, but Slickstein continued to insist he was "starving for knowledge."

Slickstein's wife, Mary, was not home at the time of the meal, but neighbors reported seeing him sitting on the front porch with a large book and a bottle of Wite-Out.

Slickstein was rushed to the hospital after his wife found him, puffy and bloated, on the living room floor.

"He was processing it all right," explained head nurse Sally Abel. "But all that paper was entirely too much fiber for one person's system to handle."

After having his stomach pumped, Slickstein reluctantly admitted, "All I really learned was not to eat paper."

## 1999

### Y2K nuclear New Year's

The tiny, remote Scandinavian country of Finchen set off a nuclear bomb as part of their New Year's Eve fireworks show.

Government officials O.K.'d the blast believing the world's end was imminent, so there would be no further serious repercussions to the blast.

They were highly mistaken, however, as the world failed to end, but their celebration successfully leveled the entire 55-sq.-mile country. Luckily, no neighboring nations were affected.

Confidential documents recovered from the expensive wreckage revealed Finchen's president wanted "to shoot off the biggest fireworks show anyone in the country has ever seen."

He succeeded, but no one lived to tell of their incredible experience.

Newspaper printings stopped in mid-run after the explosion showed front page headlines that would have read: "Going Out With A Bang!"

Indeed. Finchen has since been removed from world maps and globes, and other countries with nuclear weapons, including

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# WEEKLY WORLD NEWS junior

**KID INVENTOR OF THE WEEK!**

## GIRL SCIENCE WIZ, 11, BUILDS GADGET THAT DROWNS OUT [illegible] OF CRYING BABY!

ST. LOUIS, Mo. – [illegible]-year-old Madison Hogan got tired of hearing her newborn baby brother cry at the top of his lungs in the middle of the night – so she invented a gadget that drowns out the sound.

"I can finally get my sleep at night," says the baby youngster's greatest mom.

The nifty device, which Madison calls the Baby Buster, works by emitting what's known as "white noise."

"The Baby Buster generates sound waves that balance out the sound waves that my little brother Zac sends into the air when he cries," Madison explains.

Only the high-pitched frequency of a baby's cries are affected – other sounds, such as music coming from a TV, can still be heard.

"It's perfect for a person who lives in an apartment with thin walls and whose neighbors have a newborn," observes Perry Whittlestein, editor of Inventions Monthly.

A company has purchased the rights to mass-produce the device, it was revealed, at a whopping $44,000.

She says: "My parents got most of it, like a college fund – however! But I got a brand new bike – and an even better science kit."

**Fun contest for kids only:**

## TOURIST OFFICIALS NEED NEW NAME FOR 'ABOMINABLE SNOWMAN' – & they want YOUR help!

KATMANDU, Nepal — Can you think of a cooler name for the Abominable Snowman? If you do, you'll earn the gratitude of the people of Nepal — plus two free Weekly World News T-shirts!

Tourist officials in the Asian country, where the mysterious manlike beast dwells high in the Himalayan Mountains, want the help of American kids in picking a new name.

That survey's show abominable [illegible] is turned [illegible] explains a spokesman for the ministry of tourism. "When young people come here to [illegible] climb and [illegible] they don't [illegible] terrifying [illegible] They want fun and exotic [illegible]

"We're looking for a more upbeat name that will appeal to young American families.

[illegible] people who live in the mountains call the hairy, superfast tall creature the Yeti, but that's not catchy enough, officials say.

So get on your thinking caps, kids — and come up with a new name for the strange ape-like creature believed to be a distant relative of Bigfoot.

Send your suggestion to: Snowman, c/o Weekly World News, 270 Park Ave., New York, NY 10017. Our editors will pick the winner and forward it to the [illegible]

### DID YOU KNOW...

White-shelled eggs are produced by hens with white feathers and ear lobes. Brown-shelled eggs are produced by hens with red feathers and red ear lobes.

### BRAINTEASER

What does a man do standing on two legs, a dog do on three and women do sitting down?

SOLUTION: [illegible]

## HOW TO DRIVE YOUR BABYSITTER CRAZY

**IS YOUR BOSSY babysitter a pain in the neck? Here are five fun ways you can drive Miss I'm-A-Teenager-So-You-Have-To-Listen-To-Me nut of her mind:**

1. Tell her Daddy had a "nanny cam" in the bathroom — but don't tell her where it is.

2. Claim you're "allergic" to carrots — then, after she makes you eat them anyway, pretend to pass out.

3. Tell her you've been playing in the basement or attic. Over dinner, casually mention that Mom thinks the house is haunted.

4. Pretend to make an insulting prank call to the "crazy guy" next door (really, your best friend). Before the babysitter can chew you out, ask her, "What's caller ID?"

5. Pretend to fall down the stairs. Stand up with fake blood

### WORD OF THE WEEK:

**[illegible]** – An expert in the history of [illegible], and now that you know what it means, see if you can make this words part of his history.

Submitted by [illegible]

### JOKES KIDS TELL!

This rib-tickling television pair comes from Megan F. in Tacoma, Wash.:

ACTOR: Have you seen me on TV?
BILLY: On and off.
ACTOR: How did you like me?
BILLY: Oh,

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# SLEEPWALKER BEATS PROSTITUTION RAP!

By MICHAEL FORSYTH
Auckland, New Zealand

**IN AN ultra-bizarre legal drama, a devoutly religious church secretary was acquitted of charges that she moonlighted as a hooker — after a jury determined that she was sleepwalking at the time!**

Tracy Milhouse, a [redacted] married, 34-year-old mom of two was found not guilty of prostitution — even though an undercover cop testified that she'd accompanied him to a motel room after accepting a wad of cash.

"Every night for at least three years, Mrs. Milhouse would rise from her bed, walk four miles to a seedy part of town and prowl the streets — while sound asleep," said defense attorney Brian Stevens.

"Usually she strutted around in a nightie and high heels, but sometimes she'd raid [redacted] her 15-year-old daughter's closet and squeeze into exercise [redacted] that fit like hot pants."

Surprisingly, pimp Roland Jankes said the dead-silent, glassy-eyed lady of the evening was his top earner.

"She was never rude or low-class like a lot of girls," he revealed. "The only problem was some johns complained that she snored during sex."

Shy, demure Tracy never suspected she was leading a nocturnal secret life.

"Sometimes I'd wake feeling a bit sore or with a funny taste in my mouth, but I thought I was imagining things," she said. "I'd also find money in my purse I couldn't account for."

Authorities estimate the attractive brunette, known by the street name "Luscious," [redacted]

THE THICK PLOT. Tracy Milhouse [redacted] when her boss and pimp Roland Jankes, [redacted] she might be sleepwalking," says pimp Roland Jankes, [redacted]

I did with all those strange men. I blush," says mortified Tracy, who now takes [redacted] for [redacted] condition and sleeps handcuffed to the bed.

[redacted] team enlisted Dr. [redacted] Glass, director of the Auckland Sleep Research Centre, to carry out an overnight study on her.

The test, called a polysomnography, measures brain waves and other functions. It confirmed that the accused harlot was a sleepwalker, the expert testified in court.

"Contrary to popular belief, sleepwalkers don't just lurch about," Dr. Glass explained. "They've been known to drive, [redacted] are [redacted] amnesia.

"One [redacted] factor [redacted]," Dr. Glass revealed.

Local [redacted] first noticed the curvy newcomer in [redacted]

"She'd wiggle up to cars that were [redacted] illegally land a date," recalled [redacted] woman named Candy.

When Tracy wandered onto a corner controlled by Jankes, the pimp eagerly recruited her for his stable. Initially, he attributed her vacant stare and muteness to drug use.

"Eventually, it occurred to me she might be sleepwalking, but nothing I did roused her," he said, "even when I'd 'bitch-slap' her on [redacted] night."

Tracy's husband Ned, 38, [redacted] clueless about her late-night outings — they slept in separate bedrooms because her "express train" snoring drove him crazy.

"After news of Tracy's arrest in November got out, people at church stared at her contemptuously and she became the subject of [redacted]

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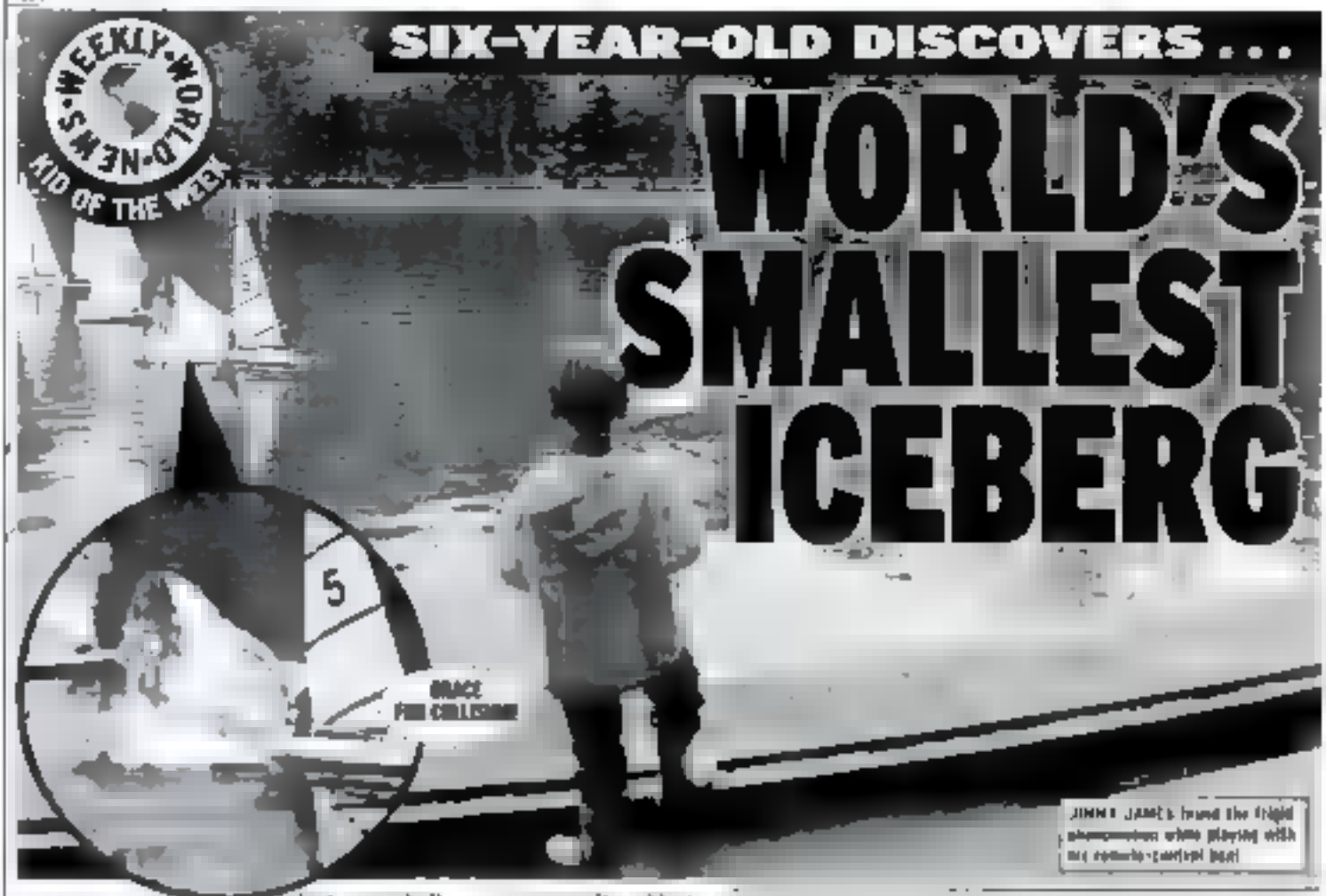
# WORLD'S SMALLEST ICEBERG



JIMMY JAMES found the frigid phenomenon while playing with his remote-control boat

By JESSICA DEBARNETT
Central Park, N.Y.

**WHEN people think of an iceberg it conjures images of a mountain of ice. The largest known iceberg is 13 km long, 5 km wide, and 20 m high. (We don't know the metric system either, but that's big.)**

Sailors know to avoid coming close to them. However, one sailor who did not was 6-year-old Jimmy James. He was steering his electric sailboat around a pond in the park when it accidentally [redacted] just a snowball floating in the water," he told us, sobbing. "My boat hit it and sunk."

The "snowball" was a tiny iceberg that had floated [redacted] river. It was 10 inches long, 8 inches wide, [redacted] 16 inches high. It apparently floated [redacted] a sewer drain and made its way to the park. A dead duck found floating nearby was apparently [redacted] victim.

We asked Professor Paul R. Bear of the Institute of Marine Unusualities on [redacted] Island if this was unusual.

"Very," he told us. "No iceberg has ever made it so far south without melting completely." How did this arctic wonder elude an unusually cold winter. Plus, water pollution has made icebergs as a whole harder than ever. We haven't yet retrieved this one from the pond but it appears to have components of oil, lead and plastic."

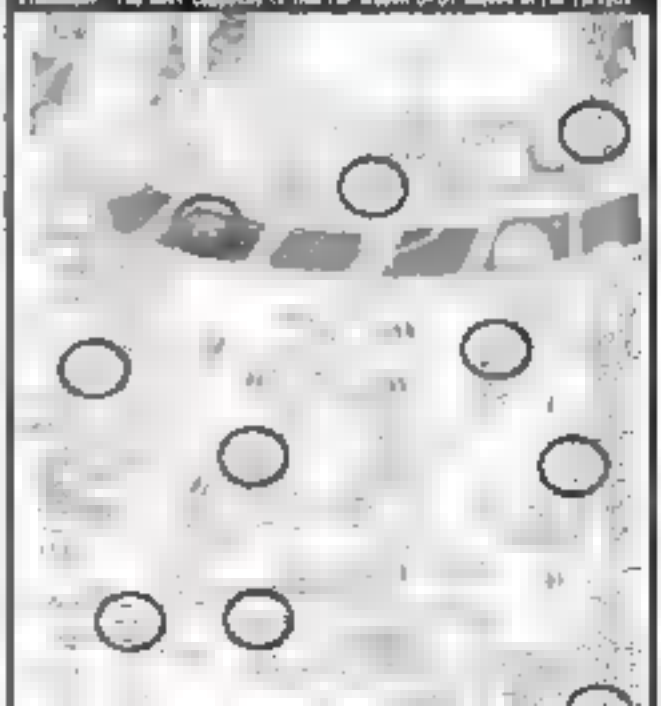
Some environmental activists insist on [redacted] back to the Arctic where it can lead a normal existence. That's why scientists have been unable to get their [redacted] on the little berger.

"I hope we can get beyond that because there is so much we can learn from this tiny phenomenon," Professor Bear remarked.

"Imagine ice cubes that don't melt in your drink or — well, I can't

## LAST WEEK'S PICTURE SEARCH SOLUTION

Remember: The first contestant to find the hidden UFO hidden in the picture



Michelangelo's lawn art:

# THE GNOME OF ST. PETER

By RAF FEVAL
Art Critic

FLORENCE, Italy – Michelangelo is one of the greatest artists in history. Among his most famous works are The Sistine Chapel ceiling, the Pieta, and the statue of David. All his works have something in common: great stature and classic beauty.

Or so we thought.

Hidden in the basement of the Vatican, historians have discovered what appears to be Michelangelo's last sculpture: The Gnome of St. Peter.

"We found the sculpture buried under old mixes and shavels," said Professor Don A. Tale of the Rome Museum of Marble.

"The gnome is about 2 feet tall. Wearing little boots, a hat, and a long beard. He is holding a lantern in one hand and a walking stick in the other. It was made from the same marble as Michelangelo's Moses. We're still trying to understand what would have compelled the artist to sculpt the Deliverer and then a tiny bearded dwarf."

Weekly World News tracked down Michelle Ann Theint, the great great great great great great granddaughter of Michelangelo to get her opinion.

"It looks a lot like Pope Julius II," she told us. "My great great great great great great grandfather did not have a good relationship with the pontiff, who used to break sticks over his back. Michelangelo probably made this as a Vatican lawn ornament.

"It was his way of telling people what he thought of the Pope."

Artistic discoveries of this magnitude are rare but not unprecedented. Just two years ago a farmer found the remains of Leonardo Da Vinci's very first

# IMPLANT YOUR REMOTE CONTROL!

## – and never search under sofa cushions again

By BECKY TODD
Tokyo, Japan

**JAPANESE scientists have invented a television remote control as small as the head of a pin that can be implanted under the skin of a man's index**

"It's a dream come true for all males," says Dr. Fuji Sajimoto, who devoted 10 years to creating the tiny device. "Never again will they have to get extremely aggravated and speak the horrible words: 'Where's my damn remote? I know one of you took it. I left it right here.'

DR. FUJI SAJIMOTO'S creation will change over the former

The Pointy works by sending electromagnetic signals to the television just like a regular hand-held controller. To change channels, all a man has to do is point up to go to higher channels and down for lower. When he gets to the one he wants, he simply stops pointing.

Pointy implanted in his fingertip.

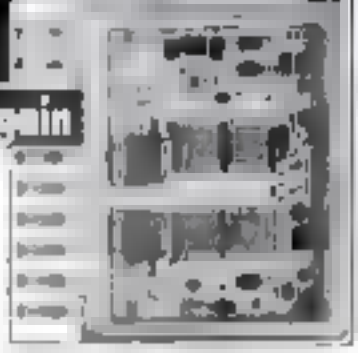
"I'll never go back to the old-fashioned remote control," says Bendell. "This is fantastic. Now I get home from work, drop into my recliner, pop open a cold one and start cruising the channels for the next 12 hours. And I'm in a great mood.

"When I had to look for that stupid remote, my blood pressure would go through the roof. I'd be pissed off and if enough time went by I'd start getting desperate."

Dr. Sajimoto says there are still a few small kinks he's working out.

"The Pointy is very sensitive and when the man is near the television it will go on even on those rare moments when he doesn't want to watch something," says the scientist.

"There's a small chance it could cause electric shock waves to travel up a person's arm and it's remotely possible that pieces of the hush-tech electronics can come loose, travel through the

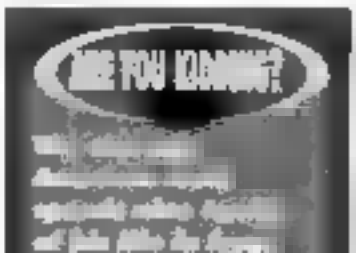


THIS CHIP, embedded in your fingertip [illegible] gets to change channels at will.

"Oh, and it causes garage doors to go up and down sometimes."

Even with the risks, Bendell — and millions of other men who've been surveyed — are willing to undergo the implant.

"Yeah, I get shocked every now and then," he says. "But it's worth it. Now I start my evening television viewing relaxed and in a good mood. You can't put a price on that."



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# HONESTY FALLS TO THIRD AS 'BEST POLICY'

By JANE ANDERSON

WASHINGTON D.C. – Honesty, which has consistently come in first place for 73 years in polls asking Americans, "What is the best policy?" now ranks third, says a leading ethics researcher.

Thomas Sullivan, head of the prestigious Wachovia Ethics Institute in Washington, D.C., says that honesty now lands behind "getting ahead," and "free cable" as the best policy. "The good news is 'honesty' still lands ahead of 'lottery' and 'overeating,' but clearly 'honesty' is in a free-fall, popularity-wise," says Sullivan. "People these days don't see honesty as being that valuable.

"A student plagiarizes a term paper over the Internet and gets an 'A,' while the honest student who does his or her own work gets a C+, and they're left feeling like they got the short for playing by the rules.

"There's an old maxim about 'Honesty is its own reward,' but more and more, people don't see that in their daily lives.

"Sports stars do steroids, lie about it, and draw enormous salaries, while the honest player, who doesn't use them, sits on the bench or doesn't make the team altogether. Telling him that honesty is its own reward doesn't quite make it."

Sullivan says the one hope

**Vatican spokesman confirms . . .**

# PEACE TALKS UNDER WAY BETWEEN ANGELS & DEMONS!

## War between has left Hell

By MICHAEL CUSACK
Vatican City

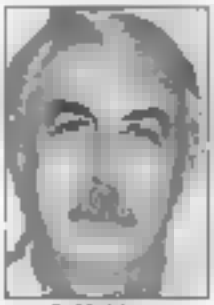
**ANGELS and demons have quietly entered into peace talks — and if all goes well, Heaven and Hell could sign a treaty normalizing relations within weeks!**

That's the mind bending assertion of a leading theologian who has sources privy to the high stakes negotiations.

"Just a decade ago a peace pact between Heaven and Hell would have been unthinkable," says Mario Ongaro of Vatican City.

"But in this era, we've seen many implacable foes, like Great Britain and the IRA, sit down at the bargaining table to settle their differences.

"Of course, this won't be a



THEOLOGIAN Mario Ongaro

issues — and there's a lot of bad blood and distrust."

It was reportedly Satan who first extended the olive branch, sending God the message, "Isn't it time to let bygones be bygones?"

"Satan's bunch was against the wall," explains Ongaro. "Hell is virtually bankrupt, due largely to corruption. The Evil One can't even afford to buy souls anymore. He simply doesn't have the money to fight Heaven."

Ongaro claims pre-liminary talks got underway six weeks ago between Earthly representatives of the two sides — with negotiators from the Catholic Church sitting opposite agents of the International Church of Lucifer.

between heavenly seraphim and second-tier demons in which key points of the peace plan have been hammered out," the theologian reveals.

"Vatican sources tell me next week is the first 'sit down' between the Archangel Michael and Satan's chief lieutenant Beelzebub.

"It's hard to picture them in the same room — these guys personally detest each other."

Known as the Lord of the Flies, Beelzebub is one of Hell's most vicious demons — infamous for violent possessions. But "only a hardliner" would have the credibility to forge peace, the expert observes.

The talks are being held on neutral ground, the Geneva headquarters of an atheist organization.

"The first session got off to a rocky start when an angel complained that a demon smelled 'like sulfur.'" Ongaro says. "A scuffle broke out."

According to Christian lore, the war in Heaven erupted eons ago when God ordered His angels to serve His latest creation — man. Jealous, a band of angels led by Lucifer rebelled. God triumphed and Satan's horde was cast out.

"Since then a cold war has [illegible]

Although details must still be worked out, here are some basic elements of the accord.

- Demons will swear allegiance to God. In return, they get back the ranks and angelic names they held before their fall from grace.
- Hell will be declared an "autonomous principality" of Heaven. It won't have full sovereignty, but they'll be able to make their own rules there," explains Ongaro.
- Demons will forgo possession of humans, although they'll still be allowed to chat with crazy people.
- No more purchasing of souls. But people who sin will still go to Hell.
- Better lighting in Hell. "The grim lighting has been described as 'darkness visible,'" observes Ongaro. "They'll also get indoor plumbing."
- Demons will be allowed to date human females. Explains Ongaro: "They've always lusted after our women. God's ban on such contact was another bone of contention."

Catholic officials refuse to confirm the report, but a Vatican insider verified that the negotiations are at a "delicate stage" now.

"There's been a lot of haggling," reveals the insider. "Satan's team keeps trying to sneak loopholes into the document while our side tries to catch them.

"This is truly a case where the Devil is in the details."

By SCOTT STEVENS

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – A new spaghetti sauce is so [illegible] that anyone who eats it immediately starts speaking fluent Italian.

The sauce, Papa Roma, is made in Rome, and has been available in the United States for a little over six months.

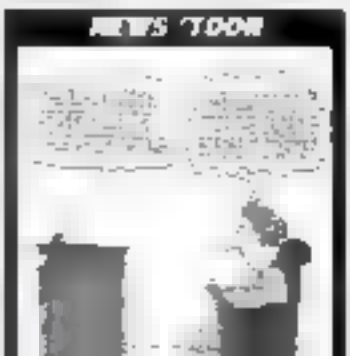
Angelino Rosario, who makes the sauce, says, "We use only the finest Italian ingredients. Italian tomatoes, Italian oregano, Italian garlic, Italian artificial flavoring. If it's not Italian, it's not in there."

The effects of the sauce last about six hours, before the person eating the sauce returns to speaking his or her native tongue.

Herb Schwartz, from Kansas City, where the sauce was first test-marketed, began speaking Italian immediately after eating a portion of spaghetti and meatballs topped with the sauce. Says Schwartz, through an Italian interpreter, "Before I tried Papa Roma's, the only Italian word I knew was Michelangelo. But the second I ate it, I don't know what happened. Suddenly I started sounding like Sophia Loren."

Says Kansas City police chief Harold Wilson, "I started receiving a lot of hysterical phone calls from the public. But I couldn't understand a word they were saying, because I don't speak Italian."

Once Wilson learned what was happening, he ordered one

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## ACROSS

1 Independence Day (3 wds)
8 Not used to
12 Meaty one
14 Did the dash
15 Before part or pool
16 Where nice guys finish
19 Pancake
20 Strong arms
21 Rides a bike
23 Took off
25 Go by, as time
26 Ballroom dance
27 Desert refuge
28 Great fear
30 Blueprints
31 Broken bone cover
34 Hot spots
36 Courteous
38 Dwight Evans
40 Drive forward
41 Rest of order
42 "To do" items
44 Safety device
45 Used to be
47 Meat choice
49 Feudal estate
50 Relax
51 Floor models
57 Armed conflict
Singer Presley
Say it isn't so
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Takes a guess
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Possible
Do a double take
Really mad
71 Post Era
73 Reject
76 Coarse file
77 "Home On The —"
79 Poe's bird
81 Huck Finn's craft
82 Road curve
84 Lunchmeatties
88 Lover of 201-Down
97 Stage whispers
98 Cake mix
90 Boot Hill letters
92 Attired
94 Heavy metal
96 Frolics
97 Give a hoot
98 Space org
100 Solemn ceremonies
101 Antidotes
102 Hacienda material
103 Take place
104 Construction sights
106 Art — style
107 Arrears
109 Deserting ballet, sometimes
111 Records
112 Runway walkers
114 Connection
115 Remove clothing
117 Labyrinth
118 Swimmer's measure
119 Pepping fancy
120 Canvas cover, briefly
122 Chapel with famous ceiling
125 Takes it easy
128 America abbr
129 Bar cleanup
130 Poultry
131 Blocky stuff
132 Financial reserve (2 wds)
135 Robbery
138 Bring in the sheaves
140 Precious stone
141 Bush's bo offering
143 Adolescent
144 Incline
147 Ran wild
149 Disney duck
151 Mends the argyles
154 Air space
156 Lunch time
159 Relate
160 Formal dress
161 Teamsters' rigs
162 Reeds
167 On a par with
168 Church law
169 Elevator inventor
170 Pub drinks
171 Waste away
174 Cookbook direction
176 Duct opening
177 Light knock
179 Washington of Hollywood
181 Mohammed's flight
183 Add oxygen
185 Throws with effort
187 Mets Hark, for one
188 Wagon tracks
189 Leafy dish
191 Outcropping
192 Wound dressing
193 Beginner
195 Pastes
197 Annoying fellows
198 Mistake
202 They're all in the family
204 Frighten
206 Warrant
208 Bakers unit
211 Gym mats
213 Lay out funds
215 Lady with a habit
218 Rudolph's teammate
217 Business happening
220 Knight's club
222 Goes with comfort
223 Hat
225 Glove pen item
227 Territory
229 Desert like
231 Fox
232 Barber's cut
233 Small cap
236 Student's amount
237 Butter substitute
239 One-masted sailboat
239 Abhor
241 On or about
242 Come together
243 Dormant
245 Hold back
248 Body art
247 Small beard
248 Like Irving's horseman
249 E-mail command
250 Take legal action
251 Children's game
252 They have smile and hammers
253 He saw it all
254 Polygraph machines (2 wds)

## DOWN

1 Dandies
2 Raise a protest
3 Facade
4 Street slang
5 Exposes
7 Word of praise
8 French city
9 Whitecaps
10 On cloud nine
11 Take a chance
12 Detainers
13 Expires through time
17 Descend
18 Battery part
19 Style
20 Goes without food
22 Mash utensil
24 Doc's buddy
29 Golfer Ernie
29 Football official, briefly
32 Winter toy
33 Stopwatch
35 "— tu, Brute?
37 Cry of pain
38 Michelangelo masterpiece
39 "Put — — on it"
43 Painful
45 The Duke —
48 Dash of pimento
51 Engine type
52 Listening device
53 Daily grind (2 wds)
56 Trapdoor
60 Saber-toothed cat
61 Polka fun
62 Hardened
64 Use a stove
65 Bear or Berra
67 "Seven — for Seven Brothers"
Sleeping sickness
Like some city streets (Hyph)
74 Foul odor
75 Go ahead
78 Short shorts
80 Passport endorsement
81 Welsh —
82 Proclamation
83 Waste product
84 Palm fruits
85 Soy or Hollandaise
88 Biblical tower
89 NASCAR events
90 Scarcer
91 Biological growth
95 Beguiles
96 Amusing
97 Encephalon
99 Levy on a levy
103 "From — to riches"
109 Nod off
108 Drop of joy
110 Transgresses
112 Boxer's handler
113 Tazzo
114 Rhymed
115 Worried about
117 Scrooge type
121 Unadorned
123 Drink chiller
124 Egyptian king
126 Pendulum path
127 Bird of the Dystopia
132 Goes with void
133 Scheming work
134 Prowl
135 Broker's order
136 Powerful electric horn
137 Lagoon
139 Curly haired dogs
140 Cloning units
142 Asian flower
143 Adds up
144 Asparagus piece
145 Fable writer
149 Gargilan
148 Barber's cloth
150 Below to Byron
151 Sand hills
152 Leases
153 Word of apology
155 State of despondency
157 Monty Python's John
158 An improvement
160 Saloon
163 Housegrey
164 Part of a car deal (Hyph)
166 Simple, frugal
166 Polar explorer Richard
170 Montezuma's people
172 Fairway hazards
173 Bank job
176 Tennis club
178 Chopping tools
180 Squirrel's stash
182 Jagged cut
184 Matured
186 Self-absorbed
188 Tablet
194 Pastries
196 Large
198 Telescope part
196 Check mate?
200 Stench
201 Shakespeare's lovestruck lass
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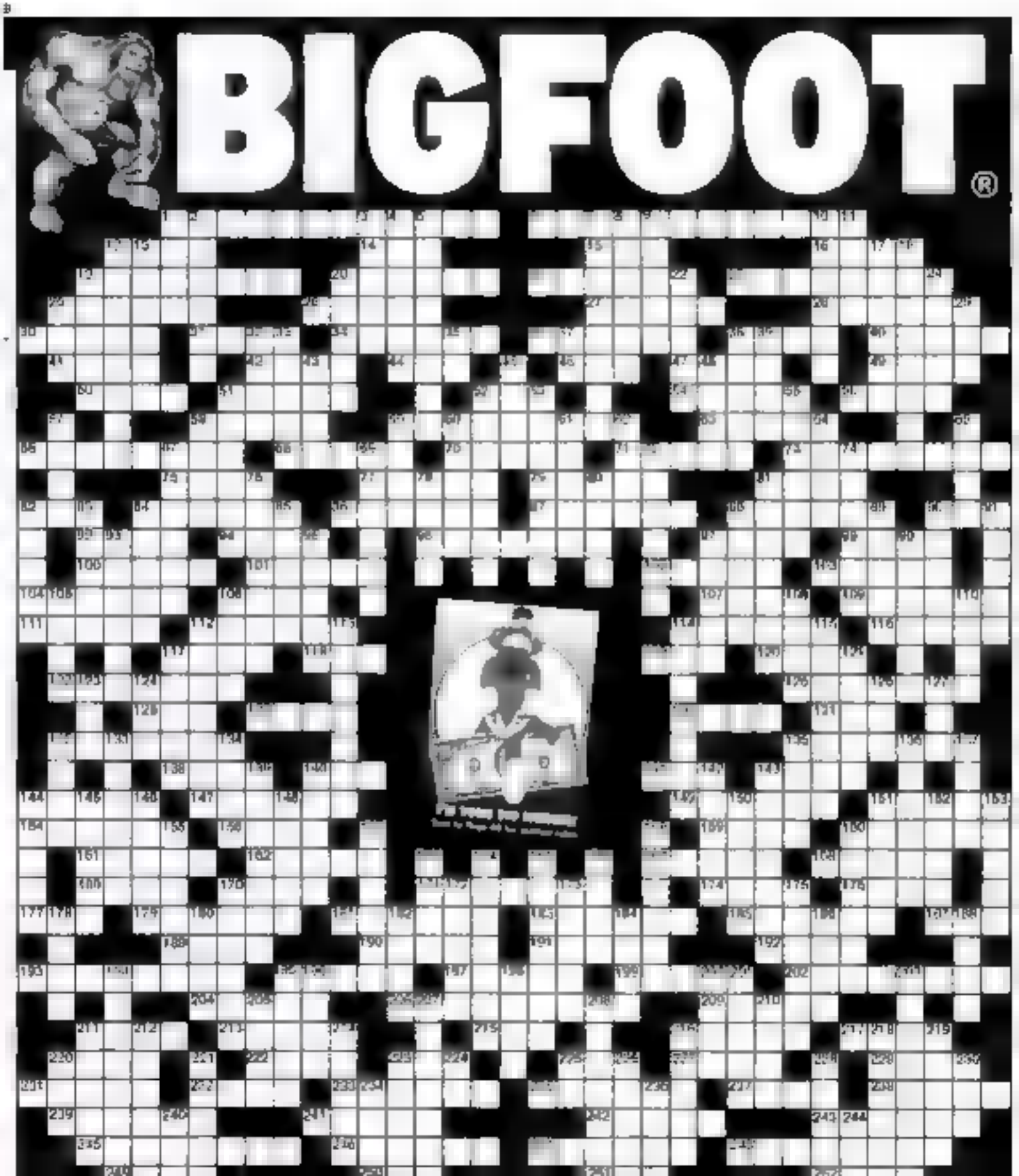
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# LAWYER SUES HIMSELF FOR INCOMPETENCE

By BERNIE BYLE

ORONO, Maine – A lawyer who hasn't won a case in three years has filed a lawsuit of incompetence – against himself!

Barry Dolfin, an Orono personal injury attorney, says, "I've lost some cases this last couple years that a 5-year-old child could've won. They had cost me a ton of money in lost legal fees, as well as new clients, and . . . there was something else – Oh yeah! – My wife! She left because I wasn't making any money.

"Everyone in America likes someone when something doesn't work out the way they planned. Well, I have no one to blame for myself. Therefore, I have no choice but to file a suit against me."

Dolfin, 36, filed a suit against himself for $2 million dollars in damages. "If I opened a book even once during my four years in law school instead of partying my ass off every night, there's no doubt in my mind that I would be a better lawyer."

Ironically, some legal experts think that Dolfin's best chance is to lose the case.

"If a Catch-22, if he wins, that would prove that he's NOT incompetent," says Arnold Finck, a judicial expert. "So his best chance is to lose, proving he is incompetent, and then he win on appeal."

When Dolfin was asked how he expected to collect from himself if he won, he replied, "Oh, yeah. You see? I

TEACHER GETS INSIDE

# INTERVIEW HEADLESS

## FABLED VILLAIN TURNS OUT TO

By TERRANCE SHEARER
Sleepy Hollow, N.Y.

**ONE OF the most frightening figures of folklore turns out to be neither legend . . . nor terribly frightening.**

"I couldn't believe it," said Minnie Miller, a 10th grade English teacher. "The big, pil-

[illegible] ghost

[illegible]"

Minnie, a 32-year-old teacher at nearby Knickerbocker High, had always been terrified by the Swedish pumpkin-throwing villain of [illegible]ington Irving's tale *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*.

"As a [illegible] would always scream at my dad to drive faster whenever we crossed a bridge," she said, referring to the demon's inability to cross any kind of bridge. "Ten years of the[illegible]y and my own '[illegible]' — including two failed [illegible]s at alcohol rehab — didn't help cure me of my fear. So I decided to hunt down the source, the [illegible]-[illegible]-man himself."

[illegible] started her search where the author set his story, in this riverside [illegible] New York State. She didn't expect to find her quarry at the first place she visited, Moe's [illegible] and Grill.

"It was late in the morning," Minnie recalled. "Moe handed me my [illegible] and tonic and pointed out my quarry with a sad look. HE was seated at a small table in the back of the room. His pumpkin head was on the [illegible] next to him. He was slumped over [illegible]

"I walked toward him," Minnie continued. "I couldn't help staring and I

and all. He [illegible] wearing an 18th-fashioned, blue jacket [illegible] double rows of brass buttons, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] into coarse, serviceable shoes. A red wool scarf was wrapped around his n[illegible]. There was nothing above the [illegible].

"[illegible] give autographs — " he murmured, the [illegible] from deep in his open throat.

"That's not why I'm here," I assured him.

" — or interviews," he added.

Minnie [illegible] her glass and sat at the table. "Can I get you a drink?" she [illegible].

"The beer is fine."

"It has no head," Minnie pointed out.

He chuckled. "What did you expect?"

That seemed to break the ice. Minnie set [illegible] him. "I'm not a reporter. I'm a schoolteacher and I only want to [illegible]."

"Don't let me stop you," he [illegible], rising. "I'm going to the [illegible]."

The demon rose slowly and shuffled to the men's room. Minnie turned back to the barkeeper and signaled for a refill. He brought it to the table.

"Is this what he does all day? Just sit here?" Minnie asked.

"Pretty much," Moe replied. "He tried working as a headhunter on Wall Street but every time he reached the George Washington Bridge he got the [illegible] gave that up and used some of the Hessian gold he'd saved to buy a pumpkin farm."

"Pumpkins?"

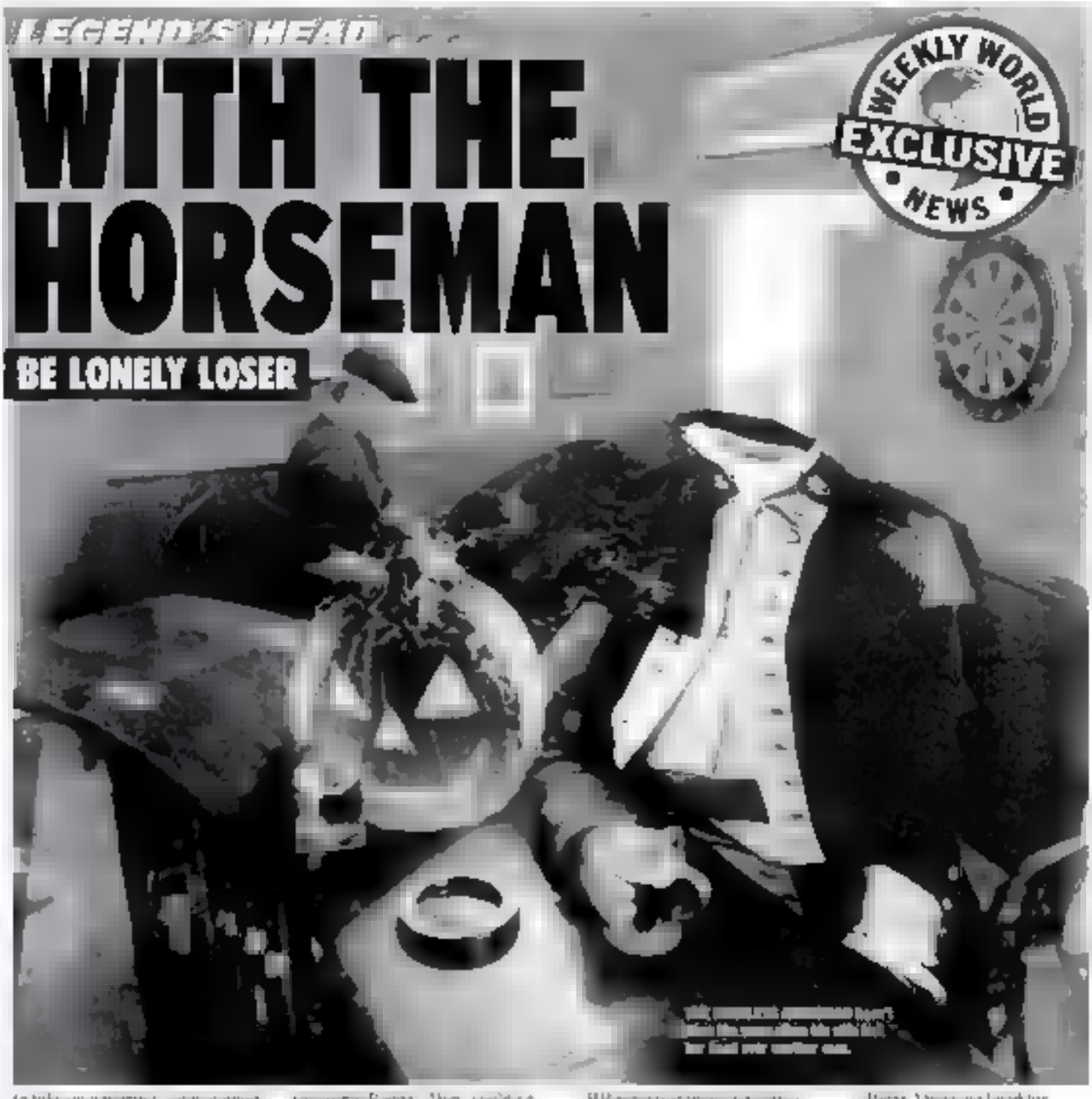
"Yeah," Moe said. "He goes through a lot of them. They rot

LEGEND'S HEAD . . .

# WITH THE HORSEMAN

## BE LONELY LOSER

WEEKLY WORLD NEWS EXCLUSIVE



to take on a partner," explained Peter. Peter eats half of what they manage to grow. It's sad." The bartender looked at her as she slugged down her drink. "I like your style. You remind me of someone."

"Who?" Minnie asked.

"Mrs. HH."

"The Headless Horseman has

[illegible] Bones). They wouldn't here and neck — which is all they could do — and scare the customers away, but they were happy."

"What happened?" Minnie asked.

Moe shrugged. "One day she just didn't show up. HH later found out she lost her head for

HH returned the kiss with a grand sweep of his hand he bowed to Minnie. "I'm heading off to my farm. I'm sorry to have wasted your time."

"Actually, you haven't," Minnie told him. "You've taught me a great deal."

"Glad to hear it," the Headless Horseman said. "Things didn't

Right. I have no head for names."

With that, the Headless Horseman put on his head and cloak and left. Minnie declared a third drink "on the house." She also declined Moe's offer to work as a topless dancer.

"I was no longer afraid," she told Weekly World News. "After all

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# GUESS THE CHOOSE CORRECTLY – & IS THE BOGUS

**W[illegible] like us print a fake story, we're making an exception for our [illegible] crazy [illegible] One of these five stories isn't real — see if you can pick which one and you could win a wh[illegible] $200! [illegible] the one you think is FAKE on the coupon, and mail it to us. We'll pick a winner [illegible] the correct entries. [illegible] knows, it might be you! Good Luck! Entries must be postmarked by May 11, [illegible]. Log on to weeklyworldnews.com and you can play the on-line [illegible], as [illegible] hot new game.**

## 1. [illegible]D RANT

AN AFRICAN political science teacher has given the world's longest nonstop lecture – going on and on for over three days!

Errol Muzawazi, 80, of Zimbabwe, spoke for 88 hours and four seconds, mostly to himself. The majority of his audience at Jagiellonian University in Krakow, Poland fell asleep after the first few hours.

Guinness Book of Records officials monitoring the event say he was only allowed to break once a night to use the bathroom or eat a sandwich.

Muzawazi already holds the previous record for 82 hours and 30 minutes.

## 2. THE MILKMEN

A SURVEY has revealed [illegible] in three new fathers admits to trying their wife's breast milk.

Apparently men want to feel they are more a part of the breastfeeding process. And according to the 1,000 new dads polled, one-third have literally gotten involved.

Dr. Natasha Ilya, head of the study, says the findings aren't as creepy as they may seem at first. In fact, she's "encouraged to see that fathers are supporting their partners choice to breast-feed as breastfeeding is best for babies and provides many benefits."

## 3. MUSIC MAN [illegible]

A MAN who claims he can name any Top 40 hit since 1975 from only three bars of music has finally met his match.

During a world record verification, Richard Studmeyer, of Laurel, Del., faltered for what he says was the first time ever. The trivia nit? Eddie Murphy's "Party All The Time."

Murphy's one-hit wonder reached all the way to No. 2 in 1985, when Studmeyer was 28 years old.

"I can't believe I didn't get it," Studmeyer sighs. "How I totally remember making fun of Eddie Murphy for actually singing it. I can't believe I forget it."

## 4. PET PILLOWS

MISS cuddling with Fluffy?

Not to worry, a U.S. taxidermist has come up with a weird way to keep sleeping with your pets every [illegible] they're dead and gone – cushions made with their fur.

Jeanette Hall, 29, of Nevada, says although [illegible] shocked by her Pet Pillows, she's sold hundreds of the stuffings.

Owners simply send their dead pets' bodies to her, and she creates a soft pillow, fur on one side and fabric on the other.

Animal lovers are thrilled to be able to keep their [illegible] friends around.

## 5. BLIND [illegible] HOLE IN [illegible]

A LEGALLY blind golfer has accomplished what most people with perfect vision never will – a hole in one!

When Joel Ludvicek's golfing buddies told him he'd nailed the 168-yard hole at Twin Pines golf course in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, the 78-year-old was naturally skeptical.

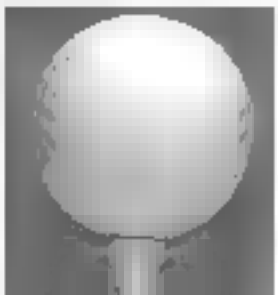
"They've said it before," Ludvicek jokes.

Except this time it was true.

His three partners helped him position the ball and aim his swing, but in the end, the lucky shot was all him.

"A big fluke," he says. "It's just one of those things."

Amazingly, this is Ludvicek's second hole in one.



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# The NEWBORN CRIME

By Nick [illegible]
[illegible], Ind.

**IN A TOWN [illegible] now bereft of organized crime overlords, FBI informants have learned that [illegible] families recently [illegible] behind a 6-month-old as the new Godfather.**

"He's [illegible] a [illegible]-by," said local D.A. Jimmy Corrigan. "He even has a specially made burp gun."

After a bloody gang war left most of the capos and their thugs dead, the Midwest syndicates were in utter disarray. Then, six months ago, the wife of slain mob boss Don Giovanni gave birth to a son, Sonny.

[illegible] feuding [illegible] families agreed to bury the hatchet [illegible] acknowledged the infant as the Godbaby. Speaking through his lawyer, the "infant" forcibly denied allegations that he was the head of a new, unified crime syndicate.

"He's just a baby!" said Nick "The Pacifier" Nicolini, the family's alleged consigliere. "The kid can't even talk, other than 'Goo goo, gaga.' He's not pulling the head of My Little Pony in anyone's bed or having people knick knack paddy whacked."

"The Pacifier's feeding you poblum," charged D.A. Corrigan. "Sonny Giovanni is a ruthless little genius who's calling the shots — the gunshots, I mean."

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Solution to this week's puzzle on Page 43

# Godbaby

## LORD RULES WITH IRON RATTLE

Weekly World News has learned from informant Chuck E... aka "The Cheese," that the Godbaby is far from toothless. That became clear at his baptism. After being walked to the church in his bulletproof stroller, baby Sonny was surrounded by armed bodyguards dressed as cartoon characters.

At the end, when the priest made the traditional benediction gesture, the startled Godbaby began to wail. The preacher was immediately thrown to the ground and beaten by Bert and Ernie while the Teletubbies stood guard.

"And lord help the nanny who tries to put Sonny in his playpen," Chuck E. says. "Winky and Blinky come runnin'. That kid don't wanna be in any pen."

"So far the violence has been limited to the household," says D.A. Corrigan. "But we know that's only temporary. Wait until The Godbaby hits the terrible twos."

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The literal translation of Kung Fu is "[illegible]" — and more fascinating...

# TRIVIA

By [redacted]

**THE TIME displayed in most [redacted] is 10:10. Banging your head against a wall burns 150 calories an hour. A ball of glass will bounce higher than a ball of rubber.**

That's just a sample of the astonishing trivia that [redacted] and editors at *Weekly World News* have unearthed [redacted] researching all the terrific stories you read in our paper [redacted] week. Here's more:

- Mailmen in Russia carry revolvers.
- According to the World Health Organization, there [redacted] about 100 million [redacted] of sexual intercourse every day.
- The first parking meter [redacted] used in [redacted]homa City in 1935.
- Ancient Egyptians believed [redacted] were [redacted] animals.
- Bunches [redacted] of turtles, a clowder of cats, a charm of goldfinches, a gam of whales, a knot of toads and a streak of tigers.
- Milk is heavier than cream.
- Three percent of tigers are man-eaters.
- Berrien Springs, Mich., is the "Christmas Pickle Capital of the [redacted]." Whatever that means . . .
- The ninth U.S. President, William [redacted] Harrison, [redacted] longest inauguration speech ever. Ironically, he died just a month afterward, making his the shortest U.S. presidency ever.
- Crows like the [redacted] of [redacted]-shield wiper blades.
- A quarter of Australia's [redacted]ulation was born outside of Australia.
- In the 1500s, floors in homes [redacted] dirt. Only the wealthy [redacted] floors made of anything [redacted]. Hence, the [redacted] "poor as dirt."
- [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] uphill than downhill.
- [redacted] [redacted] to put their feet down somewhere. It is against the [redacted] to pawn your [redacted] in Las Vegas.
- People eat approximately 60,000 pounds of food in a lifetime.

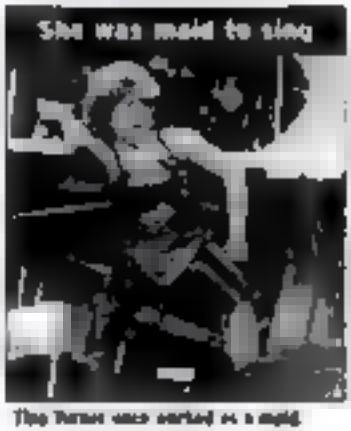
## Brits in the buff

The U.K. has more practicing nudists than any other country.

## Sleeping snails

[redacted] can [redacted]

## She was maid to sing



The horse was voiced by a maid.

## That's eggs-celent!

## bet you didn't know...

- Men are six times more likely to [redacted] struck [redacted] than women.
- [redacted] planet Jupiter [redacted] shortest days in our known solar system. It is the fastest rotating, so days last just 10 hours.
- Vanna White has clapped over 140,000 times on Wheel of
- Chips Ahoy! cookies are baked in ovens as long as football [redacted].
- Every human is 99.9 percent genetically identical.
- New Hampshire's "Live Free or [redacted]" license plates are made by state prisoners.
- In 1961, a tornado lifted a sleeping baby in the Italian city

# HOUSEKEEPER FIRED FOR USING FAMILY'S FLUFFY DOG AS A MOP

By DEBBIE [redacted]
New York, N.Y.

**A [redacted]CH maid was [redacted]harged when [redacted]ng was discovered [redacted]using her employers' dog as a mop.**

The Pointer family claims their 10-year-old daughter suffered permanent psychological damage after watching Prissy, her tiny, long-[redacted], plunged into a mop bucket and sloshed around the floor.

"Prissy started acting weird after we hired Claudette," says Miriam Pointer, 37. "She was still very playful and active, but she stopped waiting beside the tub while my daughter [redacted] a bath, something she'd always done. Every time we flushed the toilet, she'd run and hide. We didn't know what was wrong with her. Then my daughter saw Claudette and learned the truth."

The housekeeper doesn't deny using the dog for a mop, but insists there was nothing wrong with it. "She liked it," Claudette [redacted]. "She was always sniffing around at mop bucket, so one day I dunked her in it. She thought it was fun." Claudette claims that after the dunking, Prissy romped constantly while she mopped. "[redacted] would bark at te mop and chase it around, especially after I dunked her. So I just tipped her upside down and scrubbed the floor wit her. She thought it was a game. Her teeny little tail wagged as

[redacted] Pointers were incensed [redacted]. "Claudette deliberately traumatized the dog, which is [redacted] cupid[redacted] family goes everywhere our daughter goes, and now she doesn't even want her [redacted] in the bed with her. [redacted] says she's gross."

The Pointers have sued Claudette for animal cruelty and child [redacted]ve, and Claudette has countersued for wrongful termination. "They hired me to [redacted] floors, and did. They also expected [redacted] walk[redacted] and watch out for her while the child was at school. I loved that dog [redacted] it was my own, and everyone knows in French are dog lovers. Our dogs are part of the family and they do [redacted] that they can[redacted]."

"But that daughter of theirs wasn't right before I got there. She's a little brat who did her fair share of torturing that poor dog. You should see some of the horrid outfits she used to dress me poor thing in. But now she just ignores it. Acts like the dog's been rolling in poopie 24 hours a day."

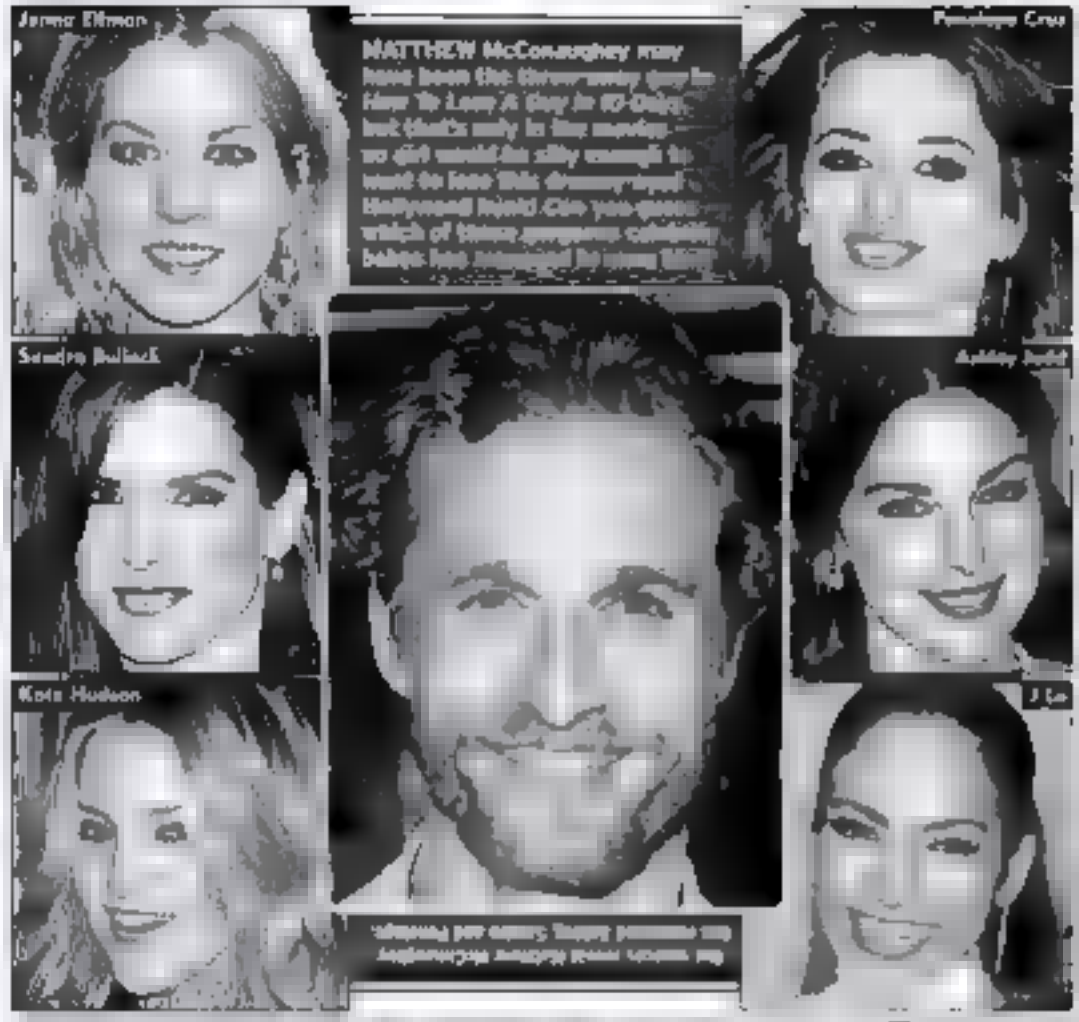
[redacted] claims that while she used Prissy for a mop on the day in question, the daughter came in the room and started screaming and grabbing at the dog, throwing a monumental tantrum that sent the dog running under the bed. "We couldn't get the poor thing out, and the whole time the child was screaming her head off. I'm not the one that

CLAUDETTE claims Prissy enjoyed helping with the housework, and [redacted] silky coat made a very effective mop.

That's the best we got. Think you can do better? Try to . . . Here's your chance to prove yourself as the smartest person in the world. Send in your wisest caption about this photo from our friends at [redacted].com and if yours tickles our funny bone the most, we'll print it – and your name – in a future issue of Weekly World News! Address your entry to: Cap-

Our Caption Contest winner is Penn Harley of Colorado Springs, Colo.

# Bedside manner!

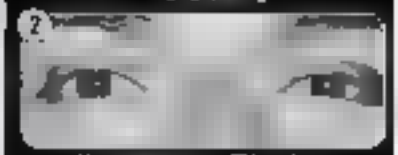



MATTHEW McConaughey may have been the Unnecessary Guy in *How To Lose A Guy In 10 Days*, but that's only in the movies – so did we think he'd be silly enough to want to lose this dream-packed Hollywood hunk? Can you guess which of these gorgeous celebrity babes has snuggled up next to Matt?

## MYSTERY EYES

Here are close-ups of some stars whose eyes give them a distinctive look and who share a small detail. Can you place the faces and name the names? HINT: All are Uncle Cisco de Maya . . .

1. ... and Clinton


2. Has self-named TV series

3. Snake dancer on Dish to Diner

4. Lt Castillo on Miami Vice.

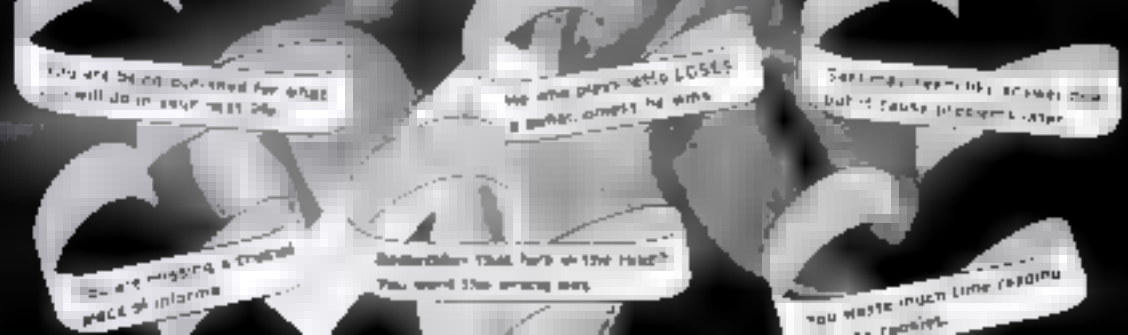
5. "Welcome to Fantasy Island!"

WHO ARE THEY?
1) Sinead Moynihan | 2) Christie Brinkley | 3) Sinead Cusack | 4) Edward Furlong | 5) Ricardo Montalban

# WORLD'S WEIRDEST FORTUNE COOKIES

EVERYONE knows the best part of eating at a Chinese restaurant is the fortune cookies. Usually the prediction is good, but sometimes you really break into a bad cookie.

You readers may not know this, but our crazy pals here at WWN master a batch of saving silly things – and many fortunes



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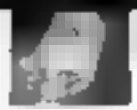
Renowned medium and psychic
May 9 – May 15

# Your weekly star guide

## ARIES
Mar. 21 – Apr. 19



Your industriousness may cause you to work up before a project is completed. Use your willpower to keep working it out until it's over.

Give yourself a night off and celebrate all that hard work.

You're particularly attractive to the opposite sex this week. If you're single, explore new relationships. Married and attached should rekindle their romances.

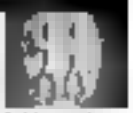
## TAURUS
Apr. 20 – May 20

Your ability to see through the muddle comes in handy when you solve a problem puzzling to others.

Romance and surprise will be significant this week. Perhaps someone you only thought of as a friend will become more important in your life. Or the love you lost for someone suddenly looms better.

Your lucky color is white and your lucky number this week is 33.

## GEMINI
May 21 – June 20



Your temper will be tested this week — and if you lose it you may be paying the price for a long time.

Concentrate on viewing better and not getting even. Be smart, not tough.

Your best work will be done at home this week.

Stick to basics and if you get something special in the mail, don't be surprised. A financial upturn is waiting in the wings!

## CANCER
June 21 – July 22

This should be a super week. Projects could fall into place with little or no effort, and associates may move more eager to please.

Good news about your health or the health of someone close to you is strongly possible. If you're feeling lucky, look to the color lavender and the number 20.

Take a break from your labors and celebrate at week's end. You deserve it.

## LEO
July 23 – Aug. 22

You sometimes feel pressured because of the amount of projects you take on, but don't be too busy this week to help out a lonely pal.

A romantic evening with a special person may bring feelings of warmth and love. Be open to all the possibilities.

Don't make a mistake by ignoring the invitation of a stranger to join in a project. It will lead to a fortunate encounter.

## VIRGO
Aug. 23 – Sept. 22

Your cool judgment may be called upon when a family member or close friend comes to you with a problem this week. They'll be happy and relieved as you share them how to solve it with a minimum of fuss.

Someone you've been ignoring will become a true ally. Listen to him or her.

A phone call or e-mail brings incredible news. Your lucky number is 4.

## LIBRA
Sept. 23 – Oct. 22

Don't be drawn into other people's problems this week. Guard against giving advice that may backfire.

There is a strong possibility of a positive change in your lifestyle this week. Keep your options open. Don't ignore a new opportunity.

Watch for the number 11 and someone dressed in blue to further enhance your fortune.

## SCORPIO
Oct. 23 – Nov. 21

You've been burning the candle at both ends lately and your body is screaming for you to slow down. Ease up a bit or you'll regret it.

Pay no attention to rumors in your life.

The numbers 66 and 78 prove helpful. It wouldn't hurt to wear a splash of a bright color.

A small person, perhaps a child, will bring huge wisdom into your life if you listen.

## SAGITTARIUS
Nov. 22 – Dec. 21

Your luck will improve significantly this week. Chances for success are good so take advantage of them.

Your selfish side might emerge in the very near future, creating conflicts.

Be aware of the potential problems and try to see things from the other guy's point of view.

Tackling a delayed domestic chore will bring you unexpected help!

## CAPRICORN
Dec. 22 – Jan. 19

It appears that any efforts at diet and exercise will pay off handsomely this week. Forget your failures.

The results will surprise you. Helping a friend is going to pay off.

Be a good listener and keep advice to a minimum. Trust your instincts.

Wearing green or a flash of gold enhances your chances of good fortune. Number 4 is a lucky number.

## AQUARIUS
Jan. 20 – Feb. 18

Success in an undertaking of significant import will surprise and silence detractors and delight those who stand to profit from your judgment and guidance.

Keep an eye on your health and wallet in the days ahead.

An early morning phone call can lead to a significant opening in your career.

The numbers 23 and 6 figure significantly in your future.

## PISCES
Feb. 19 – Mar. 20

This week you can hold the key to success if you use your natural talents and strive to achieve goals you consider beyond reach.

By trusting your inner voice and heeding body language, you'll be able to reach down deep inside your being and shape events to your liking.

Money problems can disappear and the color red could be a key!

## YOUR LUCKY LOTTO NUMBERS

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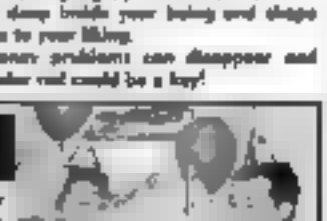
|---|---|
| ARIES | 42, 29, 27, 31, 33, 42 |
| TAURUS | [illegible] |
| GEMINI | 3, 17, 27, 28, 31, 41 |
| CANCER | [illegible] |
| LEO | 5, 14, 15, 22, 31, 36 |
| VIRGO | [illegible] |
| LIBRA | 19, 21, 25, 29, 37, 41 |
| SCORPIO | [illegible] |
| SAGITTARIUS | 4, 17, 27, 31, 41, 42 |
| CAPRICORN | [illegible] |

Readers all over the country are using Madame Malisa's Lottery Numbers to help them win big. You can, too! Your lucky Numbers are based on your birth sign. If you want numbers for this week, add your lucky number to your birth sign number. If you need numbers for next week, drop the last digit.

## If your birthday is this week . . .



This week ahead can be one of the most productive of your life. It will test your mettle, but you'll emerge a winner. Your health is quite good. Take up a new hobby or

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# HONEYMOONERS FROM THE FUTURE ARRESTED!



By MAURICE MORRIS
Niagara Falls, N.Y.

**JOYCE and Beth Hargrove, a lesbian couple, were arrested last week when they tried to pay for their Niagara Falls honeymoon suite with what appeared to be counterfeit money.**

"But that wasn't funny money they were passing," admitted embarrassed Assistant District Attorney Genson [redacted]. "It was just money that hadn't been printed yet."

It turns out the newlyweds are from the year 3195. And if it weren't for the mistake of an antique dealer in the future, the couple's presence would never have been detected.

"Getting local currency is usually the last thing we do," said Joyce. "When we decided to come back in time we went to Past Due, a money changer, and bought what we thought were $100 bills from 2006. Unfortunately, the dealer was a little dyslexic."

Instead, he gave the couple

Funny money? The girls tried to pay with these bills.

suite," said Edmund Newberry, 84, owner of the bed-and-breakfast where the couple stayed. "They were giggling, holding hands, and obviously in love. I didn't care that they were a same-sex couple. I just thought they were Canadians. They didn't have credit cards but they were only staying for one night so I figured, 'What the heck!'" At check-out time they paid using bills with a picture of Dick Cheney. I told them to go have their complimentary breakfast — and I called the feds."

The FBI arrived within minutes. They arrested the girls and checked the lovebirds' luggage. There, they discovered how the newlyweds made the trip through time.

Hanline, who was called to investigate the units. "You attach it to your feet and literally jump from one time stream to the next. I actually spent four years studying it, then jumped back from 3008 to 'today' to give the FBI my report. I also had some tips for my stockbroker."

*Weekly World News* met the two attractive young girls at a pizza parlor, which is where they went immediately after their release from prison. They explained there is no cheese in the 22nd century.

"The FDA found out that dairy is bad for us," Joyce said as she ordered a pie with double cheese. "In fact, time travel was invented so that people could enjoy banned items like butter, caffeine and Seinfeld reruns."

The girls went on to reveal health care, and the fact that same-sex marriage is legal everywhere in North America but Texico.

"Texico?" we asked.

"The big country that stretches from Oklahoma to Guatemala and is ruled by Queen Jenna III," Beth said.

"After President Schwarzenegger lost his bid for a second term to President Winfrey, attitudes toward gay couples changed," Joyce told us. "There are now gay American Presidents and even an openly gay king of England."

If the future is so advanced, we wondered why the couple came back in time instead of visiting another planet.

"In our era, earth's waterfalls have all dried up because of global warming," Joyce told us. "We wanted to see what the Niagara Cliffs looked like when there was water."

"We weren't disappointed," Beth added. "In fact, our only frustration was that other honeymooners kept staring at us. You've got an awesomely beautiful world. People should appre-

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PANDA-MONIUM!

# GIANT PANDA CAUGHT IN 'LOVE NEST' WITH FARMER'S WIFE!

By DICK SIEGEL
Watson, Ill.

**IN ONE of the most bizarre love trysts in recent memory, local farmer Bill Loach, Jr. has filed for divorce from Betty, his wife of fifteen years. What makes it strange is the individual he has named as a correspondent in the proceedings: A giant Chinese Panda bear named Andrew Joshua Panda.**

"Don't that just churn your butter?" said the anguished man. "My wife ditched me for a big black and white. And I'm not talkin' about a smokey, like my first wife left me for. I mean a freakin' panda."

"I know that sounds absurd on the surface," said Betty's attorney Jude Humberton Clampett. "Okay — it sounds pretty absurd from top to bottom. But according to noted zoologist Dr. Desdemona Morris, pandas and humans are very closely linked. They have similar thumbs and get runny noses when they've got colds. Pandas are also very affectionate creatures and extremely well-versed in the art of love. It is perfectly natural that a woman of Betty's sensitivity would fall for a — uh, a 'hunk' like Andrew."

Bill ordered another beer with a bourbon chaser. "So I started hollering 'round the old woodshed and the next thing you know we're in the furniture business. We thought that adding a line of bamboo chairs and swings for the beach set would be a good idea.

And since we had all this farmland we figured, 'Why not just grow our own bamboo?'

"Consarn it, all I wanted to do was give my better half a better life! How could I know those bamboo sprouts would sow the seeds of our destruction?"

The large, burly farmer broke down in tears. "Everything was fine until that big furry Casanova came along! Endangered species my butt! I'll endanger him!"

Bill angrily fondled his 12-gauge shotgun. He cradled it in his tanned, muscular arms the way he used to hold Betty. I took it away from him.

The Loach farm became something of a trailblazer in the art of bamboo farming in the continental United States. Rare fertilizer was imported from Dung Yip in mainland China and seedlings were sent from Lumpau Kiel, Malaysia. Within 6 months the bamboo shoots were as high as a panda's eye.

[illegible] reached the Cincinnati Zoo's resident Endangered Species giant, Dr. Kathleen Costello. The zoo had recently acquired a giant panda and Dr. Costello suggested that she bring Andrew by on the way back from the airport.

"Pandas don't like to fly," she said. "Some part of their sweet but primitive brains tell them it is not a natural thing to do. I thought it would be good for him to see something familiar — comfort food."

Betty Loach was thrilled with the idea of having a panda visit the farm.

"Growing up outside of Chicago, we always got Chinese takeout from Panda Pandowdy," she recalled. "I would always eat vegetables and look at the designs on the wall and pretend I was a member of a panda colony."

When the big day arrived, Betty watched with fascination as the Chinese bear grazed among the delicate plums of her field. Soon she was feeding him, teasing him, tossing him

FARMER Bill Loach filed for divorce after learning of his wife's bizarre infidelity.

treats by grasping her in a great, big bear hug, squeezing her ever tighter — his prickly black and white fur against her weathered but still-desirable farm-wife flesh.

"In just one afternoon they had become uncommonly fond of one another," Dr. Costello observed. "I thought at first it was the jet lag talking. I was wrong. During a break in their frolic I saw Andrew sit calmly, his great arm around her, as she clipped his prodigious toenails. Later, they lay together looking up at the sky. Andrew actually seemed to chuckle as Betty picked out clouds that looked like the Chinese provinces."

Sobbing, farmer Bill Loach, Jr. complains. "I didn't think nothin' of it. My Betty is just a good-hearted

BETTY LOACH had always loved animals – but still surprised her family when she ran off with Andrew Panda.

shakily twisted open a bottle of Valium, downing half it's contents.

The morning after Andrew Panda left the Loach farm Bill Loach awoke — not to a breakfast of prunes and grits but to a hastily written note scribbled by Betty on a TV Guide cover. It read: "Bill my darling, I have discovered true love, true passion. Not with you, I mean — with Andrew. We didn't plan it but goodbye and God bless. Follow your dreams as I have embraced mine."

An hour later volunteer firefighters were summoned to the Loach farm as pillars of flame and

expressed his own passion with a [illegible] flicked into the bamboo [illegible].

"Mrs. Loach broke into the zoo before it opened and convinced Andrew to go with her," Dr Castello says. "He didn't leave us a note — just the smashed bars of his habitat and the broken body of a Himalayan raccoon that tried to stop him."

About two hours later, photographer Osgood Peabody accidentally stumbled onto the love nest of Betty Loach and Andrew Panda. He had pulled up to a soda machine at a Super 8 motel just

propped back up," the alert shutterbug said. "I went to investigate."

After he snapped his award-winning *Weekly World News* photographs, Peabody was rushed by the great panda in full-Russell Crowe mode. While Andy's bear lover jumped beneath sheets that were covered with Honey Nut Cheerios, the panda smashed the lens and slashed away at the hapless photographer.

"He hates being photographed when he mates," Betty said later, defending her lover's actions. "Tourists and zoologists used to do it all the time in Kenya."

EMS worker: "Fortunately, the memory [illegible]. If [illegible] pays for the camera I won't press charges."

Peabody told us the last he saw of the couple they were barreling down Route 66 in a beat up Chevy Nova.

"Truth is, I was just doing my job and Andrew was just doing his," Peabody says philosophically. "I don't bear him any ill-will.

"Well I do," Bill Loach said as he slid from the bar stool to the floor. He laughed. "Anyway, the joke's on Betty. Technically, a panda's not even a bear. It's a [illegible]

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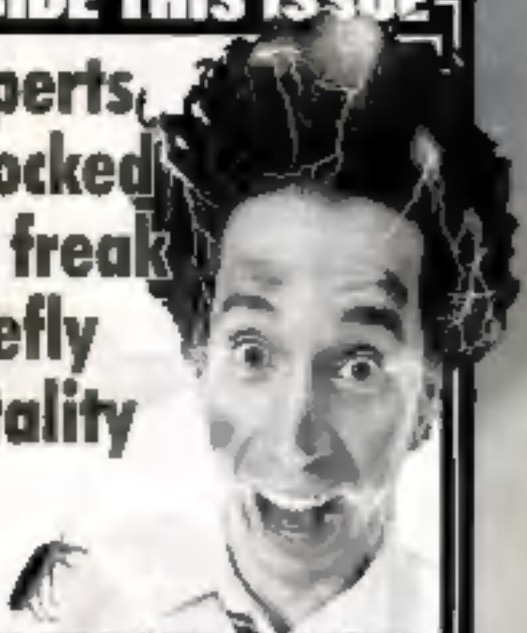

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